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Secrets exposed How government hides its leaking system

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Battle fields Preview of the rugby internationals

# Portfolio

The Times Portfolio daily competition prize of £2,000 was won yesterday by Mr A J Street of Hackney, London. Portfolio list, page 22; how to play, information ervice, back page. omorrow, £42,000 can be on - £40,000 in the weekly mpetition and £2,000 in e daily.

### ippy-in-oven in sentenced

I Richards, aged 19, of tham, Kent, who put ppy in a hot oven for his living room floor. sentenced to three detention. The

### cie date

:hhishop of Canter-Robert Runcie, will Pope in Bombay on 9, while both men ing separate tours of IT Runcie will also Mother Theresa in utta, Lambeth Palace

Buying power

A Labour government would use Marks and Spencer buying methods as the basis for a £35 billion a year "Buy British" campaign, according to Mr Roy Hattersley, the deputy party leader. Page 8.



### Car confusion

Motorists found guilty of identical traffie offences can expect much heavier fines in some parts of the country than elsewhere, according to a survey by the Automobile

### Oath sworn

To mark his eighteenth birthday. Don Felipe de Bourbon. Crown Prince of Spain, swore to uphold the country's democratic Page 8 densed move

### Drug verdict

Jason Fitzsimmons, aged heroin in Croxteth Liverpool. died because of his "nondependent use of drugs, an inquest decided Page 2

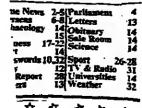
### Husain failure

King Husain of Jordan's Middle East peace plan was thought to have collapsed after the failure of talks with Mr Yassir Arafat in

# Inquiry hitch

I judicial inquiry into police nethods in Chile may be aralysed by a decision of supreme court

ere are not enough homes the growing numbers of people.A Special Report mines the role of Anchor Pages 23-25



# Channon blocks key witnesses at leak inquiry

The Westland affair yesdeveloped into an constitutional elash between the Government and Parliament when ministers stopped key witnesses appearing before a Commons select committee to give evidence about the leak of the Solicitor General's letter and Mr Leon Brittan and government officials refused point blank to answer further questions about the leak.

The hopes of the Govern-ment that the Westland dispute would die down after the Prime Minister's wellacclaimed performance in the Commons debate on Monday were dashed when Conser-vative and Labour anger at Mr Brittan's unyielding stance before the all-party Select Committee on Defence, and at the han on three Department of Trade and Industry officials appearing, spilled over into a fierce

Commons clash. Mrs Margaret Thatcher told MPs that the Government wanted to co-operate with select committees, but that the defence committee's request for private secretaries and personal staff to give evidence had "major implications for the conduct of the government and for relations between- ministers and their private offices."

But it was clear from the committee proceedings that the Government has decided to block attempts to prise out leaking of Sir Patrick with that reply, Sir Brian said Mayhew's letter to Mr Mi- that it would., chael Heseltine, Authoriza- Mr Brittan's refusal to

suggestion that the Labour

national cut at the very root

lash against Labour's national

executive committee during

Commons question time. She

said: "I wish those news-papers well in their efforts to

print on the latest

She told Mr Erie Heffer.

Labour MP for Liverpool

Walton and a member of the

Labour executive: "Unless

industry under the policies of

this Government had been

able to become thoroughly

competitive, we should have

lost whole industries and the

unemployment position would have been infinitely

"Restrictive practices and

over-manning do not save jobs; they lead to the loss of

infinitely more jobs in the

with Sir Edward Gardner, Conservative MP for Fylde.

when he said that Mr Neil

Kinnock's boycott of all

journalists employed by News International was

outrageous and "cut at the

She also commended the

view of Mr George Gardiner, Conservative MP for Reigate,

that Mr Kinnock and his

entire front bench team

should be transported to join

the picket line at the News

very root of democracy".

But Mrs Thatcher agreed

of democracy.

equipment".

News International dispute

Thatcher attacks

Wapping boycott

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

The Prime Minister agreed International Wapping plant,

yesterday with a Commons "thereby ensuring that every

boycott of all journalists line".
employed by News Interenvews International said

Mrs Margaret Thatcher Times and The Sun was only oined in the political back-marginally short of the full

writes).

short of its target.

The company also claimed

that all its drivers had

reported for work despite instructions from the Trans-

port and General Workers'

Union not to cross picket

Following the granting of

injunctions against the print

unious Sogat '82 and the NGA ordering pickets to cease to "stop, restrain or persistently follow" drivers.

police restricted the number

of pickets outside the Wapping plant to six. But a

group of about 200 people on

the road outside shouted

abuse at the drivers. Mr Todd, the TGWU general secretary,

said as he went into a TUC

meeting at Congress House yesterday that he was "not

going to throw in the towel

because people are telling me

that drivers are still going

through the picket lines". He said he would be

consulung his national exec-

utive council and legal offi-eers to eonsider the

implications of the injunc-

whose members are cooperat-

ing in the production of the

company's four titles, had already informed the TUC

that he would not be attend-

ing yesterday's meeting.
In a letter to Mr Norman
Willis, the TUC general
secretary, he repeated his

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tion. Mr Eric Hammond. Mr Eric Hammond, gen-eral secretary of the EETPU,

Brittan led to his resignation as Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

information at the ministry, Mr John Mogg, principal private secretary in the Secretary of State's office, and Mr John Michell, head of the air division, from appearing

Sir Brian Hayes, permanent secretary at the ministry, who appeared before his senior officials in place of the barred witnesses, ex-plained why Mr Channon had not allowed them to

He said Mr Channon had in mind that two of the officials (Miss Bowe and Mr Mogg) had already had a considerable degree of media exposure and the committee might want to question them further. He said it seemed to Mr Channon that there would be nothing further to add to what was already a matter of public record...

Sir Brian was then himself questioned. But when MPs raised the circumstances of the leak, he said that he could not add anything to the statements made by the Prime Minister. Asked by Sir Humphrey Atkins, the committee chairman, whether all questions relating to matters covered by the further information about the leak inquiry would be met

worker crosses the picket

yesterday that Wednesday

night's production of The

print run and the best since

Mr Paul Channon, his successor, stopped Miss Colette Bowe, the head of information at the ministration in the child. Conservative MP for Davyhulme, who had controlled the conservative MP for Davyhulme. Mr Brittan whether it was be who had authorized the Solicitor General's letter to be leaked in a selective Mr Brittan said that the

circumstances had been fully dealt with by the Prime
Minister and his own speech
on Monday, and he would
add nothing further.
Then, in a sharp and tense

exchange with Dr John Gil-bert, the senior Labour MP on the committee, Mr Brittan refused to answer at least nine questions relating to the leak

The dispute boiled over when Dr Gilbert accused Mr Brittan of having a detailed recollection on some matters and a selective memory on

Mr Brittan retorted that that was "unworthy, unfair

Sir Humphrey asked Sir Brian Hayes whether he was aware of the unqualified power of the select committee to send for persons, papers and records and to secure the attendance of whoever it wished.

Sir Brian said that he was but referred the committee to the Government's memorandum of guidance to Civil Servants about select

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### **US** deficit soars to

The US Trade decifit, exacherated by the high dollar for all of 1985, surged to a record \$148.8 billion (£105 billion) last year as imports continued to outpace exports in a pattern that

operations were moved at the Administration officials said yesterday that the deficit weekend to the new plant at in December alone rose to a Wapping, east London, and record \$17.4 billion despite a in Glasgow (John Young ten per ceut drop in the dollar's value against nther The Sun printed 4,374,370 copies, only 52,000 short of its full print run, a company official said. The Times printed 521,680, only 4,500 short of its tarnet currencies since last Septem-

The deficit with Japan accounted for an estimated one third of the total decifit, rising to a record \$49.7 billion last year up from \$37 billion in 1984.

Congressional officials reacted sharply yesterday to the Japan figures, noting a grow-ing movement in both louses to take protectionist action to stem the tide of Japanese exports.

The US deficit with Western Europe rose to \$27.4 billion last year and the decifit with Canada another large trading partner, was \$13.1 billion.

Commerce Department of-ficials said overall the United States did not run a surplus with any of its largest trading

partners last mouth.
US exports, reflecting the high dullar and the singgish industrial pace, totalled only \$213 hillion last year, falling 2.2 per cent below 1984 while imports rose 6 per cent to \$361.6 billion in 1985.

The weak trading perfor mance last year was a prime factor in reducing overall US growth in 1985 when the economy grew by only 2.3 per cent. its weakest showing since the recession of 1982. Economists said yesterday that the dollar will have to drop even further before it has a favourable effect on the trade balance by relieving pressures on American mann facturers who have lost a big share of their overseas markets to foreign competitors and have been unable to

# \$148.8bn

From Bailey Morris Washington

disaster became an urgent national campaign yesterday. The best engineering and scientific brains are being recruited to find out what caused the explosion that obliterated the craft and its seven crew 75 seconds after There is a strong demand from a shocked public to detailed film record of the

know the reason for the shuttle's ascent and tragedy.In what will develop into the most exhaustive inquiry of a technological catastrophe ever undertaken. teams of investigators set up, fuel tank and booster rockets. by Nasa are being assigned to cover every aspect of the disaster. Dr William Graham, act-

to the Challenger shuttle

A serviceman carries a piece of debris believed to be from

the shuttle Challenger and found on Cocaa Beach in Florida. The debris is being impounded for Nasa inquiries.

Shuttle searchers

find 30ft-long

piece of wreckage

From Trevor Fishlock, Cape Canaveral

The search for an answer repeatedly asks people to turn

over what they find to the authorities. "Every scrap can

help," an official said. People

are warned not to touch

debris that looks dangerous.

continues in the closed-off

area of the sea about 15 miles

off the cape, investigators are

examining what may prove to be more fruitful - the

explosion at a height of ten

miles; and the voluminous

computer record of the con-

transmitted continuously throughout the flight.

called in to help the inquiry.

and Nasa has impounded

film from some newspaper

Nasa officials are adamant

in refusing to speculate on

the cause of the explosion.

Reporters rehearsing various

theories - did an explosive

bolt detonate prematurely?

speculation is futile.

cameras.

Astronauts have also been

dition of the shuttle and its

While the search for debris

ing administrator of Nasa, said here: "Nasa will work with the engineering, scien-tific and flight communities to draw on the best, the most qualified experts we have in America. Their expertise will be brought to the analysis of this issue and its resolution and correction."

Ships combing a 6,000 square mile area of the Atlantic, with the aid of helicopters and other aircraft, have recovered more than a quarter of a tonne of debris from the Challenger, most of

it twisted and charred scraps. Searchers have found what appeared to be part of an instrument or control panel from the Challenger measur-ing about 30ft. This is the argest piece found so far and the most significant. The

wreckage is being assembled at Cape Canaveral. Small pieces of debris. chute after about two minincluding bits of the shuttle's heat resistant tiles, are being found on beaches here. Nasa

first occasion on which the boosters had to be destroyed. Okello now, in Sudan

area, according to a Nasa

official. The rocket boosters

usually separate from the Shuttle and drop by para-

utes of flight. This was the

Kampala (AP) -The oew Ugandan president.Mr Yoweri Museveni, whose Nairobi for the past five rebel army routed government forces and took control of Kampala last week, made his first Cabinet appointments yesterday, beginning with himself as Defence Minister. He chose as Prime Min-

ister Mr Samson Kisekka, a 73-year-old physician, who had served as Mr Museveni's "external co-ordinator" in

Meanwhile the Sudar News Agency said the de-posed president, General Okello was at a "military area" in Juba, in the far south of Sudan near the Uganda border. He had not asked for political asylum. He planned, Sudanese military sources said. "to gather his ranks to go back to Uganda".

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### Tobacco firms accused of games sponsor offer The tobacco industry offered sponsorship from the tobacco companies or the anti-smok-

this year's Edinburgh Commonwealth Games £250,000 to drup plans to make the event a non-smoking games with spoasorship from bealth bod-ies, it was claimed yesterday. Dr David Player, Director-General of the Health Education Council claimed said the offer was revealed to him by Sir Russell Fairgreave, chairman of the consortium which is organizing sponsorship hr

Dr Player said: "Sir Rus-

Sir Edward Gardner

the HEC was interested in promoting the games as a 'non-smuking games'. We said we might be but Sir Russell said the consortium was looking for sponsorship in the time of about £1 million. That is way beyond our means. I said we might manage perhaps £100.000. "At that point he told me that the (tobacco) industry prepared to offer £250,000 to ensure that the

were not no-smoking.

didn't want any

advertising for cigarettes or who is a director of Hall tobacco in return for that, Advertising which is owned simply an assurance that sponsorship would not be Sir Russell said neither he simply an assurance that sponsorship would not be used to put across an antismoking message. I was just Mr John Hitchens, the

HEC's director of informstion, who was present at the conversation, confirmed Dr Player's account... The charges were firmly denied by Sir Russell Fairgreave, a former Conservative MP, former chairman of the Conservative Party in Scotland and

nor anyone in the coasertium which is seeking spensorship for the games had ap-proached tobacco companies or the Tobacco Advisory

Council.
"I maybe said to David Player that no doubt the tobacco companies were keeping a watch on what we were doing and might he interested. But he said the games was not taking

ing lobby now."
There had about a year ago, he said, been interest from the HEC in making the games a non-sanking event. "I understand from the peo-ple involved before that there was the possibility of money, like £100,000, being available for a non-smoking games. I have no doubt I was possibly slightly annoyed with David Player as the HEC were not

prepared to keep to

original offer.

# Jobless level surges to record 14.4%

increasing. The adult un-employment total, after sea-sonal adjustment, rose by 20,600 to 3,204,900, a peak, between December and Janu-

during the depression years of the 1930s. The unemploy-ment rate rose from 13.5 per cent in December to 14.1 per cent this month.

Lord Young of Graffham, the Secretary of State for Employment, said . This month's figures do not make happy reading. We expected the rise in the unadjusted total but the rise in the seasonally adjusted figure is

"But unemployment fig-ures do show substantial variations from month to month and it is too soon to conclude that the recent flat trend has come to an end. After two months' rise we must not over-react." The 20,600 increase in

adult unemployment this month follows a 17,700 rise in December, a bigger increase than originally timated. In the six months to November, the jobless total fell by an average of nearly 2,000 a month. The December and January increases mean that the average monthly rise over the latest six months is 5,000.

Vacancies also declined, with a fall in the stasonally adjusted total of 2,400 to 159,700. The Government is getting less help from its special employment and training measures. The number kept off the unemploymenl register by these measures was 495,000 at the end of December, the same as in the previous two months. There is evidence that the expansion of the Community Programme is falling behind schedule. The number of places is targeted to rise to 230,000 by the

The jobless figures were condemned by opposition politicians. Mr John Prescott, the Labour Party's employment spokesman, said : "Today's appalling figures

### Killer widow's case reviewed

The case of an elderly widow serving a life sentence in Durham prison for murdering her lover is under review by the parole board. Pamela Megginson, aged 64, was convicted in 1983 of killing the man, aged 79, with a champagne bottle in the South of France after an argument over another

woman.

Unemployment has surged to a new record level, dashing total indifference to mass Government hopes that the indifference to mass unemployment. Government policies total had stopped policies have produced the policies have produced the highest interest inflation and unemployment rates of any of our major competitors. "It is deplorable sense of

priorities that Westland Heli-The raw unemployment ernment crisis and two total, including school leavers, increased by 134,640 to 3,407,729, higher even than to the trebling og unemployment of this Government." copters can produce a Govment of this Government."

Mr Richard Wainwright,
the Liberal employment
spokesman, said : Today's figures must jolt the Government into a complete re-think of policy." Mr lan Wrigglesworth, the

SDP's economie and industrial spokesman, said: This is a broken-backed Government with broken-backed policies. The Chancellor's economic strategy has disintegrated."

A spokesman for the Trades Union Congress described the figures as "horrifying" and added that : The nation is fed up with the paper-thin fabrications from Government ministers about the alleged recovery. The nation wants action on jobs, not lame excuses."

The CBI President, Sir James Cleminson, said that the figures were "extremely disappointing." That is why our members want priority given in the next Budget, not to personal tax cuts, but to the properly-costed CBI pro-posals tackling long-term unemployment - particularly in the inner cities," he said.

The latest unemployment figures include 101,312 school leavers. Between December and January there was a 1,920 rise in school leaver unemployment and a 132,720 increase for adults.

Over the past year un-employment has risen fastest in Northern Ireland, with the points. This was followed by Yorkshire and Humberside. up 0.7, East Anglia 0.6. Scotland 0.5, the South West and Wales 0.4, the South East and North 0.3. East Midlands 0.2, the North West 0.1, and the West Midlands no change. The national average increase was 0.3 percentage points.

### Amex outlook

Direct foreign investment in developing countries could double to about \$20 billion (£14.3 billion ). American Express Bank says in its latest Review. The increase would be three times the new bank credits proposed under the Baker plan for increasing capital flows to developing countries.



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# 831 jobs facing axe at arms factories as defence orders drop

Up to 831 jobs are facing the axe at two Royal Ord-nance armaments factories in

The Ammunition Division of the Royal Ordnance company said yesterday it was looking for "significant redundancies" because of falling orders from the Min-

istry of Defence. A company spokessian said 446 jobs could go at Birtley, Tyne and Wear, and 385 at Chorley, Lancs.
"We currently have 1,300"

"Birtley and this company spokesman

workers at Birtley and this would mean a 35 per cent cut", the spokesman said. "At Chorley we have 1.765 workers, and the loss of 385 jobs would be a 22 per cent

The spokesman empha-sized that some jobs might be saved if the firm attracted new orders while the number of compulsory redundancies would be kept to a minimum.

We shall be looking for voluntary redundancies and early retirement wherever possible", be added. The need for these redundancies arises primarily from a decline of ammunition orders from the MoD."

Later last night a union official said he had been told that the MoD would place an order for 30,000 howitzer shells — an order which the

The powers of the new

out weak cases when the new

prosecution service starts

later this year will be under-

mined by the continuing control of the police, an

article in this month's Crim-

In theory, the new crown

prosecutors are meant to take

over responsibility for what

prosecutions are brought, it

says. But in practice the

police will control what cases

"This means that it is for

the court, not the prosecutor

to decide whether or out

proceedings should be terminated, it says.

The article, by Dr Andrew

Sanders, a lecturer at Bir-.

mingham University,; says

that "io an understandable

attempt to produce a major

reform without completely

disrupting the criminal jus-

tice system", the Govern-

Police processes in particu-

lar will oot change, Dr

War, according to naval

They are now at sea for nearly half the year, whereas

during theSecond World

War, and until recent years,

they were out of port for only

about 40 per cent of the time. It is said that the present use of these escort

vessels is about three times as

particularly since the Falk-lands conflict, might cause

manpower and efficiency problems because of separa-

high as in the 193Os.

inal Law Review says.

come to court.

might cut the redundancies by 10 per cent.

The MoD could not confirm that the order had been placed, but said a statement would be made in the Commons later.

Of the 831 projected job losses, 620 would be shop floor workers and the rest white-collar staff.

Mr Tom Burlison, TUC North chairman, described the job losses at Birtley as a "shattering blow" to the

"This has been designated as Industry Year, but with the announcement at Birtley and today's massive increase in unemployment statistics, it really is meaningless to be-

Mr Gerry Ferguson, a union convener, said: "We are disgusted about the han-dling of the situation by local and national management.

"Other Royal Ordnance establishments were notified of our redundancies before the local management had the courtesy to inform their

Mr Ferguson said the unions at Birtley intended to fight redundancies on the basis of a six-point plan which included a call for

government guidelines, but

they will have little incentive

to do so. "The need for

cordial police-prosecutor

Not only may many courts

view the government policy

guidelines with little favour,

"unbridled power to put cases before the courts".

but the police will retain their

The article conclodes that

by failing to give prosecutors

sole power to initiate prosecutions the Government has failed to make them independent of the police.

In an article in the same

issue, another lawyer, Mr

Francis Bennion, says that

the new arrangements show

little sign of remedying "a

On matters of deep public

coocern, such as a national

strike or civil unrest, be says.

it will be oo easier to find out

gathered with a view to

ple mass picketing.

why evidence is not being

"On questions of whether

The high level of use at sca

of destroyers and frigates has arisen partly because of the Government's policy of limit-

ing the number of these ships

to about 50. Also, demands

made on the vessels has tended to rise through the

need to maintain a naval

presence around the Falkland

Islands and in the Gulf area.

attractiveness of the Navy as

nior officers say that they are meeting recruitment targets for both officers and ratings,

although there are difficulties

In spite of fears that the

notorious defect in

present system".

service into the old structure. criminal activities, for exam-

Sanders says. Independence or not to iovestigate, even

from the police has been where the criminal activity is

created by giving crown on a national scale, the police prosecutors the power to it seems will continue to drop cases in line with decide".

Navy vessels spend

more time at sea

By Rodney Cowton, Defence Correspondent

did during the Second World the last 20 years.

Frigates and destroyers of ilies. However, senior officers the Royal Navy are spending claim that operational stan-more time at sea than they dards have improved during

There has been concern a career might be damaged by that the time spent at sen, increased work pressure, se-

tion from friends and fam- in some specialist areas.

relationships will remain."

Police 'weaken'

crown prosecutors

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Mr Derek Brookes, director of the Birtley factory, said he was "very sad" about the redundancies at the plant which dates from 1917 and

which dates from 1917 and up to a few years ago employed more than 2,000. The proposed emisch was due to the reduction in ammunition orders from the MoD who provide about 90% of their work.

He confirmed the cutbacks could be availed if just two of the points on the unions' six-point plan put to the MoD bone fruit. The first was the order for

howitzer shells.

The effer was a request to lieve that 1986 is going to win back a contract placed by bring the North anything the MoD with a West more than further job losses."

German firm, for 155mm he said.

howitzer shells, as part of a work share deal involving the UK, traly and West Ger-

> . If this contract was re turned to Britain there would be no need for redundancies at either Birtley, which would produce the shells, or Chorley, which would put the explosives into them.

As for fears about the long term future of the plant, this could be cleared up by the placing of a £25 million order for a new multi-launch rocket system, a joint Nato venture

Computer

market

declining

British consumers are ex-

pected to buy about 400,000

fewer home computers this

year than they did last year,

indicating that the market is

The findings are those of

the stockbrokers Wood.

Mackenzie who conclude

that while consumers will

purchase 750,000 computers

this year-dropping from 1.35 million in 1984 and 1.12

million last year-they are prepared to myest much

more money in their ma-

The average computer cost

about £200 last year. This

According to the Wood, Mackenzie survey, the first

generation of home comput-

£399, which includes a dis-

play unit, a computer key-

Commodore has launched its new machine in the United States and would

expect to introduce it into

Europe this year. Sinclair has

promised new products, including a portable machine.

A new model from Acorn and its partner Olivetti is also

Sit-down

lunch

for a million

The world's biggest

lunch for almost a million

people, is being beld in Octo-ber in canteens all over

Britain to publicize a cam-

A £100,000 fund is being

set up to help to establish a

cafe chain, to be known as Dr B's Kitchens, serving a mil-lion meals a day to the

handicapped.

board and a printer.

for his money.

the stockbrokers.



The Princess of Wales joining in a game of snooker with an enthusiastic Colin Wilson, aged 15, during her visit to the Centre for the Deaf in Northampton yesterday. The princess drew applause when she potted a red with her first stroke.

# Channel 4 spends £40m on season

drama series including a fourpart version of Mervyn Peake's fantasy novel Mr Pye starring Derek Jacobi as part of its new season costing £40

The channel's other drama projects include a version of Shelley's Gothic novel, Zastrozzi, A Romance, and a joint Italian-Chinese production of the life of Marco Pelo.

Channel 4 is to screen eight ture the return of E. F. Benson's Mapp and Lucia, Prospects, a 12-part series about two young men trying to survive in the newly upwardly mobile world of the Isle of Dogs.

The company behind the popular C4 soap opera Brookside will produce a sixpart serial about the prob-

of Hill Street Blues, will play psychology". the American broade documentary-drama. recreates Murrow's struggles to establish standards of

in which a Labour government's relationship

with industry will differ from that advocated in the past.

planning agreements of years

gone by was that nobody

agreed with them and nobody

implimented them. A new approach based on the in-

centive access to markets, the

Marks & Spencer technique,

rather than centralized coer-

Mr Hattersley added:

Labour's approach, which is

long term, pro-British and

value for money, cao also be

applied to regional and urban

"Rather than devoting

scarce resources to footloose

foreign multi-nationals, as

was often the case with

regional policy in the past,

the same money can be spent

indigenous companies

cion, needs to be tried."

"The problem with the

The season's do ries will include The Inner Eye in which the Cambridge psychologist Dr Nicholas Humphrey expounds his the-Daniel J. Travanti, the star Ory

Channel 4 News is to extend its Friday night edition to 50 minutes, and the rock programme The Tube is to be repeated late Tuesdays.

Sonya Braga, recently ac-claimed in the film Kiss of the Spiderwoman, stars as an exprisoner returning to society in Dancin' Days, another daily soap opera from Brazil

# **Scottish**

By Lucy Hodges Education Correspondent

The Secretary of State for Scotland, Mr Malcolm Riskind, is lobbying ministers to set up an independent inquiry into teachers' pay in Scotland in an attempt to end

been on strike for 18 months, but the ministerial committee dispute is loath to grant

When Mr Rifkind pressed his colleagues to accede to the Scottish teachers' demand this week, he was told to think of arguments why the Scots should be treated dif-

He claimed that for the last and pay structure because it

The Government is content

# school pay lobby

the dispute there.

Teachers in Scotland have

It is understood that the Secretary of State for Educa-tion and Science, Sir Keith Joseph, was about to offer all teachers an independent pay review last week, but the conciliation service Acas dispute at the eleventh hour.

to allow the provisional Acas settlement to take its course. It feels it is preferable to have Acas-style talks on the problems of teachers' conditions may be easier for it to reject

### Drug use verdict on boy

An inquest on Jason Fitzsimmons, aged 14, who died after smoking heroin with other boys at a derelict block of flats in Croxteth, Liverpool, decided yesterday that he had died because of his "non-dependent use of

A friend of the dead boy told the Merseyside coroner, Mr Roy Barter, at yesterday's adjourned inquest that Jason and a friend of his had smoked beroin from a small bag. He and the other boy had taken less than a tea-

Jason, of Brayhrooke Road, Norris Green, died in Alder Hey Hospital, Liverpool, four days after being found collapsed last August.

Jason's friend told the inquest he first smoked the drug at Christmas 1983, and tried it again about three tried it again about three weeks later. Then it got more frequent than that", the boy

He bought from people living on the Croxteth Estate Prices were from £5 to £60. depending on the size of the

A large £60 bag gave mo han half-a-dozen smokes The youth said pust could be found from a' midday, hanging are derelict flats and on

Only two pushers de-the streets but there three or four houses (Croxteth estate where could be obtained.

"There are plenty of where you can buy; Liverpool - Croxteth worse than anywher be said.

Det Chief Insp Deary, head of Merseyside Police Squad, said figures lo abuse of drugs among ye people on Merseyside we. absolutely chilling.

"Of more than 2,000 people who came to our notice for drugs offences last year more than 50 per cent we 20 years old or under, at that is sad", he said.

Mr Deary said heroin abuse had seen a big rise. A local addict would buy a gram for about £65 and then coroner that there were three possible verdicts: death from dependence on drugs, from non-dependent abuse of

drugs, and accidental death. Mr Barter said the evidence indicated that Jason was not dependent on drugs. If the jury discounted that Jason's death was caused by drug abuse, they could return an accidental death verdict.

"This will be appropriate if you thought be was perhaps fooling around, just taking things for the sake of it and acting irresponsibly.

### Judge in damages case will inspect cathedral

A High Court judge will one of the great architects of inspect the Roman Catholic the post-war period and this cathedral at Liverpool as part cathedral, whatever comof a negligence case against the architect and consultant engineer who designed and

The official referee, Mr James Andrew-Fox, QC, will spend Monday and Tuesday The archdiocesan trustees

are claiming damages, alleg-ing breach of contract and negligence against Frederick Gibberd & Partners, the architects, the estate of the late Sir Federick Gibberd and Lowe & Rodin, engineers. It is claimed inadequate design and materials had resulted in severe water damage.
The defendants deny the

Yesterday, the eighth day of the hearing, Mr Patrick Phillips, QC, for the archi-tects, said: "Sir Frederick was first appeared.

plaints are being made about it, is one of the great buildings of that period." Mr Phillips continued: "Sir Frederick and Mr Lowe were faced with the almost impossible task of building a great

huilding on a shoestring. Such financial restrictions seemed to have "miracu-lously disappeared" now that they were talking about repairs. "A Rolls Royce is to take the place of a secondhand Ford Anglia."
Mr Phillips said the pro-

posed repairs included replacing an aluminium roof, originally costing £70,000, with a £1.5 million lead roof. Mr Phillips said one defence argument would be that the trustees brought their claim too long after damage

world she so generously evokes'

- André Brink

### M&S model for Labour in 'Buy British' campaign By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent quality from its competing the market is one of the ways

suppliers. The Government

could boost the British econ-

omy by doing the same."
He said featherbedding

could be avoided through a

policy of contract compli-

that a certain proportion of a contract price went into

research and development.

change occded in Labour

direction. "Operating through

But be acknowledged the

ance, which would ensure

A Labour government will use purchasing techniques pioneered by Marks & Spencer as the basis of a £35 billion a year "Buy British"

campaign.
Mr Roy Hattersley, the shadow chancellor and deputy Labour leader, told a meeting at the London Business School yesterday that more attention was needed into the way in which public money was spent. He called for a move away from the old Labour policy of planning agreement coercion to a new policy of inducement.

Mr Hattersley said that a quarter of all public spending went oo goods and services year the shopper is prepared and the mooey should be spend fish on a machine spent wherever possible on British products rather than

imports. .
"Where British products of sufficiently high standard do not exist, then the Governers is being replaced by more ment should approach supplicomplex machines. The Electron the Commodore 64 and contracts in return for an the Sinclair Spectrum are in improvement in supply", he

that category, according to said "Marks & Spencer use The launch of the Acustrad their buge puchasing power microcomputer last year has over 90 per cent of which is had a big effect on the spent in the UK, to ensure an market. The machine sells or adequate supply of the goods it wants at the right price and



oo developing and building who are more likely identify with the UK." six years the Conservatives had created the wrong climate for manufacturing. The Chancellor of the Exchequer

Mr Roy Hattersley, seeking had written it off in favour of new approach to spending the service industries.

### Round-world flight success for Porsche

Correspondent An aero-engine developed by Porsche,based on the "flat six" engine in its 911 high performance car, has powered a light aircraft on a 100,000km round-the-world

flight. The 3.2 litre engine is claimed to be safer, more economical, and more ecologically favourable than

### AA in dispute over lead-free petrol

"lead-free only"

ity.
It permits the pilot to take

# By Our Motoring

aero-engines of similar capac-

off or land operating one control rather than having to balance controls of ignition, throttle and propeller pitch on conventional light aircraft. The Porsche engine runs on normal leaded or unleaded petrol.

### By Our Motoring Correspondent

lead-free petrol the Govern-ment should cut car tax on

ation said last night: "The Government is as likely to withdraw car tax from leadfree cars as it is to reduce tax on cigarettes and tobacco.

### As an alternative to cheap Leaded petrol should cost the same as unleaded, the Automobile Association said

The Motor Agents' Associ-

"But cars like the new Ford Escort which are able to run on both types of petrol are coming on to the market this year m increasing numbers and the only way to pursuade motorists to swap from their an attractive advantage in the price of lead-free at the pumps."

the price of lead-free at the pumps."

the pump price of the two do otherwise would be to penalize users of vehicles needing leaded petrol.

### yesterday, disagreeing with the motor trade, which has urged the Government to make new lead-free petrol The EEC requires member states to make lead-free petrol widely available over

the next three years. The AA said the Government should adjust taxation on lead-free, which is more expensive to produce, so that the pump price of the two fuels would be identical. To

Continued from page 1 misgivings about security af-

ier he and colleagues had been kicked and punched both outside and inside Congress House on Tues-

At yesterday's meeting the TUC general council decided that the EETPU's actions in the dispute might be detrimental to the trade union movement. The union would be asked to give an explanation by next Wednesday.
On BBC Breakfast Television yesterday Mr Todd accused Mr Rupert Murdoch, chairman of News International, of "industrial dictatorship."

dictatorship". Interviewed on the same programme. Mr Murdoch recalled that only seven days ago he had offered the unions six months' negotiations to resolve the question of

redundancy payments.

They did not want to negotiate. They thought the way to bring me to my knees

The print unions "rackers" "old Spanish customs" and people working only half

going back. Miss Brenda Dean and Mr Tony Dubhins, general sec-retaries of SOGAT and the

NGA respectively, yesterday launched a joint campaign urging the public not to buy Mr Murdoch's newspapers. puis press freedom in great

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### Clash over Tube link for dockland railway

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

The future of the planned near the present British Rail was clouded yesterday by a dispute about the siting of its Underground terminus in the

the City Corporation voted to oppose London Regional Transport's plan to end the tailway at the Bank Underground station. The common council, equivalent of a borough council, opted for a terminus at Cannon Street near by for

the light railway which will

The common council of

go to the fast-developing industrial area on former dockland in the Isle of Dogs. It decided to petition against the Bill for a Bank terminus which is to be promoted by London Regional Transport, the new transport authority for the

The terminus was planned westward underground originally for the Minories, sions of the railway.

Fenchurch Street station. But the transport authority backed dockland developers who said that a terminus was needed nearer the heart of the City. The railway, above ground for most of its length, will move underground for its last stretch to the west of the Minories.

The common council de cided that Bank, one of the husiest commuter inter-changes in London, was already far too husy to accommodate thousands of extra passengers from the the proposed a travelator link between Cannon Street and the Bank similar to that

in use in the Bank station. It said that its light railway terminus at Cannon Street would not bave to be as deep as that at Bank and would allow for possible further westward underground exten-

### needing leaded petrol. Thatcher backs imes move

was to go on strike, and they

time or even quarter time and drawing full pay - were deeply resented by journal-ists. He was certainly not

 Clifford Longley, father
 of The Times NUJ Chapet (office branch) said yesterday: "t hope alt journalists will be alers to the threat to the freedom of the Press in the present crisis in the newspaper industry. Any refusal to treat Times journalists as journalists. by politicians. trade unions, or whomsoever,

# 'As rich and deep and dark and luminous and wise as the forest

'Softest'

courts on

traffic

offences

By Clifford Webb Motoring Correspondent

Motorists found guilty of dentical traffic offences in

identical traffic offences in Buckinghamshire. West Sussex and Berkshire can expect much heavier fines than in any other part of Englaod and Wales. On the other hand, magistrates in Cumhria, West Glamorgan and Tyne and Wear are the most lenient.

Similar inconsistencies in the oumber of penalty points

warded and the time taken

for cases to reach court were

revealed yesterday after an investigation of nearly 8,000

court cases involving mem-bers of the Automobile

Mr Olaf Lambert, the AA's

director general, said: "The wide variations in the way motorists are being dealt with

by our courts is so surprising

The toughest magistrates in

Association

# Heads seek tough line on drug abuse in classroom

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

The "softly softly" ap- children involved, proach to drug abuse among teachers must supply the young was rejected yes-terday by head teachers in England and Wales who called for a hard-hitting campaign to stop primary and secondary school children experimenting with drugs, solvents and alcohol.

Children found pushing drugs or in possession of illegal substances at schools should be suspended, and the illegal substances should be coofiscated and handed to the police, the National Association of Head Teachers Association of riead reacties said at the lauoch of a memorandum on alcohol, drug and solvent abuse.

The document, which has been sent to all 24,500 NAHT members, said: "For schools not to recognize the problem or believe it cannot exist among their own pupils is naive, for the problem is not exclusive to any one geographic region or any one social class".

There has been ao es-timated 28 per cent increase in the oumber of oewly registered addicts, and heads cited cases of children sniffing glue and correcting fluid, taking slimming drugs for sports, and smoking heroin.

The association recommended that parents should be contacted immediately a child is found in possession of cootrolled drugs, such as heroin, cocaine, cannabis or amphetamines.

The head should suspend the pupil and call io the police so that the suppliers

teachers must supply them. but otherwise the NAHT recommends that names are

not given.

Mr Derek Best, the association's president, said that virtually all secondary school youngsters were fully aware of the drugs scene, and knew the language and drugs available. But 9, 10 and 11year-olds were increasingly being drawn in.

He said every local educa-tioo authority should draw up a policy to ensure there is off-the-job training for teachers and a system of referral for schools so that heads know where to turn.

Every child who turned to solvents or drugs needed sympathy and help rather thao chastisement, the NAHT memorandum said. The temptatioo to pupils in our schools is enormous aod teachers should be aware of these facts. Heads should be discussing with their staffs what contribution they need to make withio the curriculum of the school in order to alert pupils to the dangers, and take preventative

The headteachers were scathing about what they called the Home Office's "softly softly" approach to the problem, and said there needed to be an explicit and aggressive publicity campaign similar the anti-smoking and

anti-drinking campaigns.
Schools should agree a
statement of policy with the governors, and there should be up-to-date police so that the suppliers be up-to-date materials, can be ideotified. If the police ask for the names of the tapes, for teacher educatioo.



The blazing freighter Ebn Magid on Chesil Beach, Dorset, yearlay,

### Burning cargo ship beached on sandbank

burning in its holds for more than 40 hours got out of control. It sank in shallow

The Libyan freighter Ebn said the danger that they and the German frigate Magid was towed out of might explode was slight. Niedersacksen escorted it to Portland naval base yesterday and flooded with water jets fames if burned. The captain officers' advice, it docked shortly after midnight.

The 7,500-ton freighter Firemen from all over sent out a distress signal 21 Dorset, naval ratings and miles south-west of Portland civilians from the base water over a sandbank.

Part of o cargo of dangerous chemicals, ethanol and butanol, were still on board but the Dorset fire brigade

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from the No I hold while firemen in breathing apparatus tried to fight the life in No 3.

But by Thursday morning the fire had spread out of cootrol. At 6.45 am the 30 founder and hopefully the figures will be doned.

man Libyan crew were evac- flames will be donsed".

uated and, "blazing from end The crew were being to end" the ship was towed by housed and fed at HMS Royal Navy tugs 300 metres out into Portland Harbour.

that we have drawn our initial findings to the atten-tion of the Home Office. areless driving cases were West Sussex, outer London and Bedfordshire where fines averaged over £72. That compared with under £50 in the most lenient counties of

Hereford and Worcester, Kent and Merseyside. Other examples of careless driving fines were Devon. £55, Greater Manchester £54, Inner London £53, Oxfordshire £60, Lancashire £62,

Surrey £64, and West York-, shire £58.

Penalty poiots awarded under the "totting-up" procedure leading to disqualification wheo they reach 12 were equally disparate. Bedfordshire courts imposed four or even five poiots in 57 per cent of careless driving cases. On the other hand, only 7 per The High Court and the Court of Appeal ruled there had been no procedural impropriety by the London The Law Lords ordered the GLC and Brent, Ealing, harrow and Hillingdoo to pay the hearing's costs.

### Now the boss is a temp, too

A new hreed of "executive temp" will be a regular visitor in British boardrooms and offices io a move accounced by the Confederatioo of British Industry yes-

He is highly specialized, probably in the middle of his career, and extremely well

Coronary

two years, either to master-mind a particular project or solve a crisis.

From next week the CBI Speaking at a press con-Speaking at a press con-ference in Loodon, Mr Richwill act as a "temp agency", putting companies in touch

which operates an expanding out further, because there will pool of about 600 specialists, including managing directors, sales managers and technolo-the busioess going."

ard Price, employment affairs with temporary executives director of the CBI, said: "As a result of this service, companies and parts of companies will be better run, management consultants, more efficient, and will reach control to the companies will be better run.

be the right guy at the right time at the right cost to keep

### GLC loses in Lords

Three Law Lords led hy Lord Bridge of Harwich yesterday refused the GLC and four Londoo boroughs leave to appeal to the Lords from rulings that they are oot entitled to cross-examine witnesses or make submissions at a forthcoming inquiry ioto plans to close Marylebone

Regional Passengers Commit-tee, which is holding the inquiry in refusing them that

They said natural justice did not require the committee to permit cross-examination of all witnesses, although it may be permitted oo particular topics

### Killer acted in a replay of crime

A man, who took part io a police reconstruction of his decribed Doyle as a "danger time, was given three life to the public" and said two A man, who took part io a sentences at the Central Criminal Court yesterday. Stephen Doyle posed as ao innocent passer by when he helped detectives to replay the last minutes in the life of Glennys Coe, aged 27, a betting shop manageress he had raped and strangled.

Seven months later Doyle, aged 24, confessed wheo he was arrested after the rape of a girl aged 16, Mr Anthony Hacking, QC, for the prosecution, said.

As Doyle, a ceiling fixer, of Boult Road, Laindon, Basildon. Essex, was led away, his elder sister Doona, who listened to the case, wept and said: "He should be hanged". In 1979 Doyle was jailed for four years for stabbing Donna 18 times when she caught him rifling the gas

He admitted murdering Miss Coe and rapiog her in the car park at Guildford Railway Station on August 30. 1984, and raping the schoolgid oo March 1 last

against riot

journalist

By Craig Seton

A freelacce journalist who claimed he was beaten by police while working for The Times Educational Supplement during the Handsworth riots was awarded £1.000 costs yesterday when a charge of

terday when a charge of threatening behaviour was dropped at Birmingham

Magistrates' Court.
Mr Howard Sharron, aged
32. of King's Heath. Birmingham, had been told to
photograph headleachers. He
was knocked over and
stammeded by booths who

stampeded by youths who had been storing police. Mr lan Young, his solution, said.
"The disturbing aspect is that he was assaulted with

truncheons while offering oo

consultant psychiatrists had examined him and found oothing meotally wrong.

Doyle, bespectacled and flanked by four prison officers, was told by the judge that his offences were "quite horrifying" and he exhibited "a high degree of criminality".

Mr Hacking said Doyle probably attacked Miss Coe because she surprised him late at night as he broke into a Jaguar car. He intended stealing the vehicle for a "joyride".

Miss Coe lived opposite the station car park and was taking her sheepdog Tara for a walk when Doyle grabbed her. At the time Doyle was living at a Guildford holel and working on a cootract redecorating a shop. Police interviewed him to coooection with the killing and he "hoodwinked" them by making the coordinate of the coordi ing a false statement of his movements, Mr Hacking

### warning to women Women were yesterday given a warning that heart

disease can kill them just as surely as it kills men.

Professor John Catford, head of Britaio's first Depart-ment of Health Education and Promotion at the University of Wales in Cardiff, said more than 70,000 women died every year from coronary heart disease in the

Professor Catford said in Bostoo during a study tour that while young men were more prone to heart disease than young women, the overall number of deaths from heart disease was only a

Professor Catford said a 3 per cent rise in heart disease rate among women might be the result of increased smok-ing and less physical exercise. "It is much easier for a man to go jogging than it is for a

### Murder and rape trial

A man accused of murder-ing Jacqueline Murray, a prostitute, in Park Lane, London, last November, was vesterday sent for trial at the Central Criminal Court oo 13 counts, including four of

Seven oew charges of robbery, stealing cars and having a firearm with intent to eodanger life were added when the man, aged 22, appeared at Bow Street Magistrates' Court.

### School survey on vandalism

Thousands of schoolchildreo io the North-east will contribute to a survey or school vandalism and theft. which cost £360,000 in Newcastle upon Tyne last year. The North-east Regional Schools Security Group, consisting of officials from

schools, police and fire

brigades has prepared a ques-tionnaire for students, aged five to 18, who will not have

"Severe salt restriction could reduce the capacity to survive bleeding from trauma,

### Charges lifted | Health expert denies salt

is bad for you

Government-backed guidelioes for redociog salt consumption are "based oo leading expert in hyper-tension said yesterday.

The guidelines were contained in a report published last year, but its conclusions were based oo references which, on scrutiny, proved irrelevant and drawn from unrelinble data, Professor Juhn Swales, of Leicester Royal Infirmary, said.

The report by the National Advisory Committee for No-tritional Education (NACNE) intake would lower blood pressure and could do no harm, assumptions not supported by Professor Swales.

evidence and was arrested after others told the police that he was a bona fide journalist covering the riot."

Mr Sharron said he would surgery or accidents, example, he said. sue over the incident

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# Aviemore centre in £1m sale deal

The Avienore Centre, the tourist and leisure complex in the Scottish Highlands which was losing £500,000 a year, is to be sold soon by the House of Fraser to the Reo Stakis organization in a £t million deal

The centre was opened 20 years ago and comprises chalet motels, an ice rink, a swimming pool, discotheques, a night club and a conference ceotre on a 100-acre site. But it was regarded as too downmarket. If the deal is agreed the Stakis organization is the Stakis organization is likely to aim for a more exclusive clientele.

The Glasgow-based com-

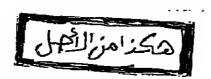
pany is one of the largest hotel, restaurant and casino chains in Britain. It has a iovestment in the Speyside area and successfully runs the Coylumbridge Hotel near Aviemore. Re-ceotly the company hrought the Stathspey Hotel within the Avientore Centre, for £750,000.

With the summer attractions of the Spey valley and the expanding ski industry on Chiragorm the belief is that Aviemore has great potential as an year-round resort, given proper marketing
The centre was the brainchild of the late Lord Fraser

of Allender who lead the attempt to establish an all-season resort in the highoriginal partners and the architect for the scheme was Mr John Poulson. It was taken over by the House of Fraser and while the Spey valley prospered and the centre became internationally in generate the revenue that had been hoped far. Three years ago the centre was offered on the market for £3 million which was consider unrealistically high. Recently

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# clash over Brittan

WESTLAND

MIrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, clashed with Simon Hughes (Southwark and Bermondsey, L) over whether Department of Trade and Industry officials should give evidence to the Commons

the Westland affair.

During question time Mr.

Hughes said that, like unemployment, the feeling of the
country on the credibility of
the Prime Minister had reached
an all-time high with 56 per
cent of people not believing her
explanation given during the explanation given during the debate on the Westland affair

n Monday. Could she tell us (he said) if she or ber office were consulted about the decision to prohibit three senior officials of the Department of Trade and Industry from giving evidence in the defence select commit-

If she authorized that pro-hihition, does she intend to make sure that no civil servants speak to officers and members of this House? Will sbe cover up for what she has done, or will she let her civil servants tell the truth even if she cannot?

Mrs Thatcher: 1 set out in my own speech on Monday the full circumstances. (Labour cries of "No") I pointed out that the accuracy of the statement was checked with all

That is what Mr Hughes does not like and cannot get over. Of course, the Government wishes to co-operate with select comminees.

Those officials who advise on policy (she continued) and are, therefore, in a position to help the defence select committee's work on the de-fence implications of the Westland affair, have cooperated fully and will continue to do

so.
The committee's request for private secretaries and personal statī to give evidence has major implications for the conduct of the Government and for rela-tions between ministers and their private offices, which will need to be thought about

Mrs Thatcher added: We shall be in touch with the committee and shall, of course, give any requests proper consideration. Maybe Labour MPs will remember the time when the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster under a Labour government refused to appear before a select committee.

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal party, said the answer the Prime Minister had given to Mr. Hughes had serious implications for the conduct of business in the House. She would recall that in her

two statements she had laid great stress on the future inquiries by the defence select committee. Mrs Thatcher had no right to place any fetter on anyone who wished to attend. Mrs Thatcher: of course the

government want to co-operate with the select committee. Those officials who advise on policy and are therefore in a position to help the defence select committee's work on the defence implications of the Westland affair have co-operated fully and will continue to do so to do so.

Civil servants are either responsible to their ministers

Civil Service.

Mr Robin Maxwell-Hystop (Tiverton C) said that when he Prime Minister was looking into precedents on elect committees, ministers and officials, she should refresh her nemory at the circumstances n which the then attorney Jeneral, Mr Sam Sakin, reused to appear before a trade and industry committee looking into the recovery operation ollowing the crash of Chrysler. That was an interesting precedent.

Mrs Thatchet: I do not have details of the one but I have details of the one but I have details of the one but I have details of the one the then Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster had received an invitation from the trade and industry committee to attend and give evidence on public expenditure on Chrysler.

Helvent on to say that the

expenditure on Chrysler.

Herwent on to say that the them Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, who had dight ministerial responsibility for this, was to give evidence on behalf of the whole government and so be would decline for give evidence before that committee.



Hughes: Was Mrs Thatcher consulted?

A total of 5,000 British servicemen and women would take part in Operation Saif Sareea in Oman later this year, Mr John Stanley, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, disclosed when opening the debate in the Commons on the Army. This would make it the largest out-of-area exercise for many years and should prove of great value.

He gave details of improvements to the Army's equip-ment, emphasizing that there had been no let-up in the modernization of nuclear and conventional forces by Warsaw Pact countries on the western

Turning to terrorism he said international dimension and in Northern Ireland took on a most sophisticated form. Last year 522 charges were brought relating to terrorism; 227 weapons were found; and nearly seven tonnes of explosives discovered.

He praised the work of bomb disposal and search teams in saving lives, property, and jobs from destruction. They had dealt with over 200 devices. one of which contained 1,600 lbs of explosives.

**RURAL AREAS** 

An Alliance motion expressing concern about recent cuts in

rate support grant to rural areas would lead to unacceptable rate

increases and endorsing NFU warnings about the collapse of

British farm income was re-

jected in the Chammons on Wednesday night by 262 votes to 146 - Government majority,

Government amendment

Mr Denzil Davies, chief Oppo-sition spokesman on defence and disarmanent, said there would inevitably be a decline in the total defence budget and there was a great danger of cuts falling on the Army. The Government might well find itself in the ridiculous position of cutting front line defence

The Labour Party would get rid of Tridenl and, by doing so, believed it would be possible to United States, maintain conventional defence One of t

The time bomb ticking away

check the decline in rural bus

tion and the rural economy,

was agreed to.
Mr David Penhaligon
(Truro, L) said the lobby at the
House by tin miners that day

typified the problems facing rural areas. These areas were green and pleasant lands with some picturesque cottages. But

know whether it wanted one. If it had such a proper industry policy the Westland problem would not have arisen in the

way it did.
Labour had expressed the support for the European package not because of any rabid anti-Americanism but itself in the ridiculous position of cutting front line defence because there was a real and expenditure on weapons of problem for Britain's defence first resort while spending vast amounts oo Trident which was described as a weapon of last resort.

The Labour Party would get European countries instead of risking being gobbled up by the

maintain conventional defence spending. Labour would also government will have to decide how it is going to afford all the

different roles.
The only logical not shown much haste in cancel Trident and concentrate deciding what kind of heli- on conventional defence, copters it wanted for the Army Sir Anthony Buck (Colchester in cancel Trident and concentrate and other Services. Was the North,C) said that what was matter being studied at all? needed now in defence was a matter being studied at all?

The Army needed two or three different kinds of helicoter, some to blow up tanks and others to carry troups and heavy equipment. This government had failed to have a proper policy in relation to the kind of helicopters the Services required.

The government lacked an industry policy or did not meeded now in defence was a period of quietude. They were at the end of the automator terms - the Nato commitment which the government had bonoured to the full. There would be a fight for limited resources and they looked to the new Defence Secretary to ensure that this was kept within reasonable bounds.

Small cottage hospitals were being closed and there was only a semblance of transport ser-

a seminance of mansport services in some rural areas.

Mrs Angela Rumbold, Under Secretary of State for Environment, said the rate support grant settlement was a recognition of the undoubted needs of inser cities but involved.

of inner cities but involved a shift of only 2 per cent overall

m the grant paid to shire areas.

Any reduction was unwelcome

but she did not agree that in consequence the dire predictions that Mr Penhaligon had made would ensue.

# Prime Minister in /Unionist MPs stage walkout

ULSTER

Newly re-elected Ulster Unionist MPs walked out of the Commons at the start of the first question time on Northern Ireland since the 15 by electrons in the Brain of the 15 Northern Ireland since the 15 by-elections in the Province.

Mr Martis Flamery (Sheffield Hillsborough, Lab) reacted to their action by saying. Do not the antics of the Unionists in coming in and walking out and acting as they are mean they have had their own way for so long that when it comes to arguing their case they suddenly refuse to discuss it with us?

They feel themselves in a defensive and weak position and events have overtaken.

defensive and weak position and events have overtaken Mr Tota King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland: I do

nm underestimate the strength of feeling in the Province and the genuine concern Unionists have about it. That is more reason for recognizing the

THE PRESS

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said in the Commons she wished Mr.

Rupert Murdoch's newspapers well in their efforts to print on the latest equipment.

She made this statement

during questions in reply to Mr Peter Thursham (Bolton North

East, C) who had asked her utterly to condemn the futile

and illegal attempts of the TUC to stop publication of Mr.

Murdoch's newspapers.
She said everyone was entitled to take full advantage of the law, including the trade

Sir Edward Gardner (Fylde, C): The Labour leader's boy-cott nf all journalists is

Mrs Thatcher: I agree with

Mr George Gardiner (Reigate, C): Will she make

arrangements to transport the Leader of the Opposition and his entire front bench to juin

the picket line at Wapping to thereby ensure every worker crosses the picket line? Mrs Thatcher: That is an

excellent question, Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool,

Walton, Labl: On this day, when the highest levels of unemployment ever known

have been recorded due to this Government's policies, it will

not go unnoticed by the people of this country that, when the printers unions have taken a

stance to protect jobs - with 6,000 more jobs at stake - that

the Conservative benches cheered to echo the man

Murdoch and the anti-trade

union legislation fully brought into operation and supported

by the Prime Minister in order

to create more unemployment

and not less. That is the truth of the situation. Mrs Thatcher: I totally reject

what he has said. Industry under the policies of this Government has been able to

become thoroughly compet-iove. If not, we should have lost woole industries and the

unemployment position would have been infinitely worse.

The Government has reversed its ban on the sale of untreated or "green top" milk in order to encourage tourism, Mr John Gummer, Minister of

ten answer.
Visitors to farms would be

Thatcher backs

Times move

to Wapping

importance of discussions and talking about that situation. Simply nothing will be achieved by abstention and absenting themselves. Parliament is here and this is the role of Parliament and I hope sensible discussions can take place.

Earlier, Mr Iam Gew (Eastbourne, C) said if the Government had believed the Anglolish agreement would have been opposed deeply by the minority community in Northcrn Ireland it would never have been entered into. Why then was it right to proceed with it when the Government knew it was deeply opposed by the majority?

Mr King: I am aware and have never concealed that there is great concern among the majority community, some of whom are instinctively opposed to any closer cooperation with the Government of the Irish Republic. It will be our

with the Government of the lrish Republic. It will be our determination to make sure there is a better understanding of the benefits the agreement can bring Benefits can come from closer cross-border co-

The decision by the Labour Party and TUC to boycott News International journalists was the subject of further questions to Mr John Biffen, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the Hnuse, following his announcement of Commons

announcement of Commons business for next week.

Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing North,C) asked if he would arrange an early debate on the freedom of the press, particularly taking into account the attituce currens to it by the Labour Party and the TUC.

Mr Biffen: He sets out a very attractive proposition for the use of Government time. The problem at present is that there

problem at present is that there is very little Government time available for these various debates, but I will continue to

bear these matters in mind. Mr Tony Baldry (Banbiry,C) asked if Mr Biffen would give

asked if Mr Biffen would give the Opposioon time to explain why the Labour Party wished to ban contact with The Times and The Sun. Did that not indicate what life would be like under a future Labour government, he added. Mr Biffen: I quite understand, but he is asking me to make ome available when it is already available. There is an Opposition day next week, and we

sition day next week, and we

will judge how they wish to use

Mr Harry Ewing (Falkirk East, Lab) asked during ques-

tions about Commons business

for next week whether either of

the two members of the Cabinet who recently resdigned

had been able to retain ministerial cars and drivers.

If this is the case (be went on), could the Leader of the House, arrange for the respon-sible minister to come here next week and make a state-

circumstances this is taking place and who is paying? Mr Biffen: If he would like to

write to me setting out the

Plea to Ireland

It was a matter of the greatest importance and of

considerable urgency that the Irish Government should ac-

been struck during my visits to farms, particularly in the West

Country, that many tourists want to drink untreated milk

matterlooked at

have been infinitely worse.

Restrictive practices and over-manning do not save jobs they lead to the loss of infinitely more jobs in the end.

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It is a Government should accept to the European cooveration on the suppression of terrorism, Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, said

Milk ban reversed

Mr John Gummer, Minister of State for Agriculture, announced in a Commons written answer.

Vicious to force and the state of the state

visitors to farms would be able to buy untreated milk the family when you are again by the summer provided the farmer is registered and tells them what they are drinking.

drinking.

Mr Gummer said: I have served.

operation and there were significant changes in the Nationalist vote in the recent Nationalist vote in the recent by-elections.

Mir Meriya Rees (Leeds South and Morley, Lab): If, despite the Government's attempts and in the light of the election results which were geared to the November agreement, the majority of the people in Ulster were determined to go for independence, what would the Government do?

do?

Mr King: The whole House would recognize what a most unfortunate course that would be. We remain willing, ready and anxious to talk to representatives of the majority community. They cannot complain about lack of consultation when they refuse to enter into any dialogue whatsoever.

Mr Jeremy Hayes (Harlow, Cr. is be not encouraged by the C: Is be not encouraged by the opinion polls which seem to indicate that most people in the Province now do not accept that the way forward is non-

coperation either actively or

will only be damaging to the economy and future of the Province. Increasingly, sensible opinion among the majority community recognizes the necessity for talks and discussions to see if a way through can be found. What would be inexcusable in the present situation is a refusal even to talk.

Mr David Winnick (Waisall North, Lab): Instead of walking out would it not be wiser for out would it not be wiser for the Unionists to recognize that the Anglo-trish agreement is going in be maintained and it is the responsibility of the Government to demonstrate this is going to be the position?

Mr King I wish to accord to the Unionist members of this Parliament the respect due to Members of this House but il they are not here it is difficult

I fired it difficult to under stand a position of standing for election for the Parliament of the United Kingdom and then

### PM disappointed with jobless total

UNEMPLOYMENT

The Prime Minister admit-The Prime Minister admitted during Commons questions that after several months of falling nnemployment, the unemployment figures just published were deeply disappointing. But she felt the figures did not necessarily indicate that unemployment was rising again.

mas rising again.

Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, had said that unemployment today had reached 3.4 million, the highest rearred 3.4 inition, the tignest figure ever. When unemployment was at 1.1 million in 1979 the Prime Minister had confidently promised that she would reduce it.

Will she (he asked) give the same promise now?

same promise now?
Mrs Thatcher: I am the first to admit that after several months of falling unemploy-ment, the unemployment fig-ures published are deeply

Bul just as we do not claim last year's figures were not a reverse of the trend when they were better, so it is too early to say that two months figures indicate that unemployment is rising again. The number of

Today's unemployment figures,

the highest ever on record, warranted a full debate in

ommons business.

speak in it?

unemployment it had itself created.

Government time, and well before the budget, Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, said during Commons questions about next week's drug pushers.

Mr Biffen said it was hardly surprising there should be no provision for such a debate in Government time when the We know (he went on) that the Employment Secretary cannot speak in such a debate because House would shortly move into ie is in the House of Lords. a period which would be dominated by the Budget Will such a debate take place, and will the Prime Minister

Mr John Biffen, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House, said no provision was in prospect for a debate on unemployment in Government

Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle,Lah) said everyone in the country would greet with disbelief Mr Biffen's statement that it was not the Government's duty to provide time for a debate on the

people in work has increased by 700,000 since March 1983. Mr Kinneck: She must know that her claim about 700,000 is that her claim about 700,000 is invalid. Even the Bank of England system of calculations demonstrates that the number of jobs in terms of full-time equivalents has fallen.

Is not the truth that the Prime Minister does not know how to get unemployment.

how to get unemployment down, and does not care about it. If she did she would not allow it to go on and on all the

Mrs Thatcher: We shall only create more wealth and, there-fore, more jobs, by creating more work to sell competiovely in the markets of the world. That is the only way. The best indication of the growth of jobs is that given by the Department of the Department of Employment's official count

over three months. On the Bank's adjustment which refers to full-time equivalents ... (Labour interruptions) Yes (she went on) many of the jobs have been part-time, and what is wrong with that?

The bank's adjustment based on the assumption about fulltime employment equivalent is inevitably uncertain

Youth unemployment in areas like Merseyside was providing the opportunity for teenagers to be easy prey to

Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Wallon, Lab) said unemployment was a matter at Horseferry Road for the government of the day. Magistrates' Court and Was this Government afraid to debate it because it had no

answers to the question?
Could not Mr Biffen reconsider his earlier answer so that the House could hear what the Government proposed to do to bring down the level of unemployment, the highest ever known in this country? Mr Biffen said be had nothing to add to his reply

### Lead weights to go

The Government will ban the use of lead weights by anglers, because of the damage done to swams, if a voluntary approach does not work. Lord Skeimersdale, the Government spokesman, said during ques-tion time in the House of

Answering a question on progress on the protection of swans, he said: "The Government has declared its firm intention to take effective action to protect swans from poisoning by anglers' lead weights."

The Government will ban the sale of most lead weights for angling from January I 1987 if the voluntary approach, supported by the angling organisations, has not proved successful by the end of the current fishing season.

In addition the Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales, have issued a model hye-law to water authorities so they can, if they wish, ban the use of lead weights for fishing in their areas.

### **Alliance** chooses man for **Fulham**

By Stephen Goodwin Political Staff

Mr Roger Liddle, leader of the Alliance group on Lambeth Council, has been chosen to fight the forthcoming Fulham by-election for the Social Democrats.

The Alliance hopes for a good showing in the former Conservative seat in what will be the first test of electoral opinion since the start of the Westland affair. Mr Liddle, aged 39, is a founder member of the SDP

and contested the nearby Vauxhall constituency in the 1983 General Election. He was chosen from a shortlist of seven prominent Social Democrats in a secret postal ballot of SDP and Liberal constituency party members. Mr Liddle worked in the

electricity supply industry before becoming special ad-viser to Mr William Rodgers when he was Labour's Minister of Transport. He nowworks in the SDP's public policy centre, on economic and social initia-

### **IBA** win in image case

Mr Norris McWhirter yesterday lost a High Court fight to take criminal proceedings against the Independent Broadcasting Authority, over the use of subliminal images on the satirical Spitting

Image show.

Mr McWhirter, aged 59.
the editor of the Guinness Book of Records, complained of a "grotesque and ridiculine image of my face super-imposed oo the top of the body of a naked woman". He said the quarter-second shot was not visible to the ordinary viewer but exploited the subconscious mind. He claimed this was a criminal offence under the Broadcast-

ing Act 1981. But Lord Justice Lloyd. sitting with Mr Justice Skinner io the Queens Bench Divisional Court, said no criminal offence was created by the Act, which did not prohibit the inclusion of subliminal images in terms. but a duty was imposed on the IBA to be satisfied that no such images were included.

He quashed the summons takeo out by Mr McWhirter probibited all further proceedings. The shot was seen by Mr

McWhirter's nephew, aged 15, using a freeze-frame button on a video recorder. Outside the court. Mr McWhirter, who is backed by the Freedom Association, said he planned to take the matter to the House of Lords. Although the Iwo judges refused him leave to appeal, and ordered him to pay costs. he will go directly to the House. "It is a matter of profound constitutional importance. I think brainwashing and activities of this kind are something which should be suppressed and something. as a private (Il., if | want suppressed.
Subliminal messages are

decentful and I want them stopped. They are profoundly dangerous. When my nephew saw it, he said, 'Look, there is Uncle Norris. I have not yet met the model my face was superimposed on, but you never know I might in the

### there was high unemployment and low pay which in turn created housing problems. The time both ticking away in rural communities was the massive erosion of farming. welcoming various Government measures designed to

### Wage bill up to 40% lower in North and Midlands

Clerical pay review

By Colin Hughes

Companies based in Lon- added in, the survey says, don could slash up to 40 per cent off their pay costs by moving to the North and Midlands. according to a survey published yesterday.

Average salaries for secretaries in central London offices are now £7,900 a year, phonists receive an average £6,900 a year in London, but £4,775 in the Midlands.

The Classical and Derby, Telephonists receive an average an average and average

The Clerical and Operative Reward survey, published by Reward Regional Surveys, shows that clerical staff in London are poid 30 per cent above the national average. while in Yorkshire the figure is 8 per cent relow. Add in that the difference in property costs, and it is hard to see why office-based compa-nies remain in the capital". the survey says.

Pay rose by 7.5 per cent last year for elencal and an average £130.
shop-floor workers, nearly 2
per cent above the rate of lished yesterday by Mannilation. With tax gains power Ltd predicted that

those in work are on average nearly 3 per cent better off. The increase in holiday

time and cut in working hours have both begun to level out over the past year. A decade ago the average shop-floor worker was receiv-

"In general there has been a steady reduction in clerical hours, but the movement is one of steady aurition, rather than a dramatic change."

The survey, which covered 250,000 workers in 612 companies, found that skilled ship workers have done better than most over the pest year, with average pay increases of more than 9 per cent. The average clerical worker receives £111 a week. and factory workers receive

an average £130,

nearly two million people will be working in temporary jobs this year. If the annual growth rate in

temporary working continues at the pace of the last three years, about 11 per cent, around one in 12 of all working people will be temporary by the end of this

"This is more, even, than the increase in computer employment, often cited as the fastest growing sector,"
Mr Ken Davidson,
Manpower's director of human resources, said.

Although one in three temporary workers are seeking permanent jobs. 27 per cent are pursuing temporary work as a permanent lifestyle. Manpower's study is based on figures contained in Temporary.
Work in Great Brutain, Labour
Market Quarterly Report, published by the Manpower Serices Commission in vices Commission in November last year, Clerical and Operative Re-

wards, published by Reward Regional Surveys, I, Mill Street. Stone, Staffordshire.

### Nine face **Telecom** charges

Scotland Yard has said that nine men are to be prosecuted for allegedly contravening the rules of the British Telecom shares flota-

Summonses for offences ranging from attempted criminal deception to conspiracy have been issued against the nine. The summonses are return-

able to Bow Street Magistrates Court, London, in Marcb. The prosecutions come after an investigation by fraud squad officers from the Metropolitan and City of London forces after the £4 billion privatization of British Telecom in November 1984.

Share applications to the public were limited to 800 a person as part of the encourage small shareholders. Would-be investors were warned that they could be prosecuted if they submitted more than one application. Inquiries showed that many people ignored the rules and made multiple applications.



Isabelle Attas and Christopher Burton, of Londou, setting off by tandem from Westminster Bridge yesterday on a round-the world bike ride. They are raising money for the National Deaf Children's Society (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

### **Gloomy Budget** for the Irish

From Richard Ford, Dublin

The Irish Government bas heralded a year of austerity with a Budget aimed at improving the republic's finance. Smokers, drinkers and motorists were hit hard. Increases in VAT and excise duties mean that from

March the cost of a pint of Guinness will be £1.16, a small whiskey 97p, a gallon of petrol £2.71 and 20 cigarettes £1.63. In Wednesday's budget, which Mr Alan Dukes, Min-ister for Finance, said was

designed to avoid having an overall deflacionary impact on the economy, the Government attempted to shift some of the hurden of taxation from direct to indirect taxes.

The standard 20 per cent VAT was increased by 2 per

Mr Dukes abolished a 1 per cent levy on all income. widened the standard 35 per cent tax band to ease the burden for middle income earners and reduced the top tax rate from 60 to 58 per cent to ease workers' overall tax burden.

Now 12,000 people will no longer pay tax and 191,000 will pay lower rate tax. He increased social welfare benefits by 5 per cent for the long term unemployed and 4 per cent for others.

In his budget statement, Mr Dukes estimated that the inflation rate in 1986 would be 4.5 per cent and the current budget deficit current budget deficit In£1,250 million or 7.4 per cent of GNP with the overall exchequer borrower requirement at 1r£2,001 million or 11.8 per cent of GNP.

Mr Dukes said the slower than expected growth in the economy and in employment during 1985 meant the budget had to be one that would not depress the economy but it was necessary to reduce the it was necessary to reduce the deficit and tackle the black

The hudget was received in almost total silence by government backbenchers had been warned that there would be little scope for major reductions in taxation which most observers accept will be the crucial issue in the next general election.

# Father of boy shot in bed is jailed for robbery

A man whose son, aged charges but was convicted oo five, was accidentally shot dead during a police search was yesterday jailed for five years for armed rohbery.

John Shorthouse, aged 26, of Barratts Road, King's from the restaurant, the court heard, but Mr Aubrey, aged admitted robbing Mr Norman Aubrey of £180 and two cheques at his Old Moat Restaurant, Kidwelly, Dyfed.

Passing sentence at Swan-

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sea Crown Court, Mr Justice
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door Price said he would the n
ave jailed him for nine years
and of local Birmingham suspects to two schoolboys who saw the men make their escape and they identified Shorthouse. The boys, Julian James and Martin Evans, were awarded £25 each by ut for the death of his son d his guilty plea. Mr Anthony Evans, QC,

the defeoce, said orthouse realized his son ald not have died had he been involved in the bery. "He is never going be able to forgive himself Two other gang members were also jailed. Stephen Herbert, aged 28, of Walker's Heath Road, King's Nortoo received four years after admitting robbery and possessing a shotgun.

Jonathan Williams, aged 35, of Firth Drive, Yardley to answer a summons at Birmiogham Magistrates' Court, where he will face a charge of manslaughter. Wood, Birmingham, had denied the robbery and shotgun

Ministry's lies led to pig deaths By Richard Evans

farmer is to receive £7,500 compensation from the Ministry of Agriculture after deliberate deceit and "unreasonable secretiveness" by its officials contributed to the death of more than 100

pigs. In a highly critical report. published yesterday, Mr Anthony Barrowclough, the par-liamentary ombudsman, said the ministry acted in a high-handed manner and lied, causing the farmer "considerable personal upset-The ombudsman upheld the man's complaint that the

ministry had deliberately withheld information from him while investigating a suspected outbreak of Aujeszky's disease on his farm, including telling a deliberate lie about results of tests on his animals.

The disease is caused by a herpes virus and affects pigs. The farmer only found out unofficially that all but two Two days after the robbery, armed police visited Shorthouse's home looking for him. As they searched for of his herd had been cleared. the shotgun, a gun went off and little John Shorthouse As a result the farmer, mistakenly thinking his entire herd was soon to be de-stroyed, stopped feeding the After the incident, Mr Brian Chester, a West Mid-lands police officer, was pigs specially treated food to prevent stomach disorders. Two weeks later a dysentry suspended from duty and is outbreak resulted in the death of 106 pigs.
The ministry has formally

apologized to the farmer.

An RSPCA marksman (right) preparing to shoot a badly oiled swan after vandals discharged 2,000 gallons of oil into the River Tweed at Berwick. At least 60 swans were beyond saving and destroyed.



### Demand for more spending on mains repairs

Much more spending will be needed on old water mains to avoid crises such as the recent burst in Leeds, leading water researchers said yesMr Peter Lofthouse, chair-man of the Sewers and Mains Authorities Association, said that present spending of £60 million a year on repairing

start of a campaign by water anthorities and the Water Research Centre to find and repair corroded mains. Mr David Field, Director of Engineering at the centre, said and smells in water were

caosed by faolts in bouseholders' plumbing. But the 100,000 complaints a year about low pressure and discoloured water from the taps usually resulted from corrosion in public mains

# **Dalglish** damages

Kenny Dalglish, the Liver-pool manager and Scotland footballer, yesterday won un-disclosed libel damages to the High Court over a newspaper article, which linked him with an agent's activities in the transfer of players.

By falsely stating that Mr Dalglish was one of the players involved with Mr Frank Boyd, doubt was cast on his suitability to hold a position of trust aod responsibility, Mr Justice Leonard was told. It was also a grave effectoo on his integrity.

Mr Richard Rampton, counsel for Mr Dalglish, said he was not employed by Mr Boyd, had never been a director of Mr Boyd's com-pany, Media Star Manage-

He sued Mirror Group Newspapers complaining about the article in the Northern edition of the Daily Mirror in March, 1985. Mr Edward Garnier, coun-sel for the Mirror, said they never intended their article to

cast any adverse reflection. The statements they made about him were based both oo information given to them by Mr Boyd and upon ootepaper sent to them by Mr Boyd which erroneously recorded that Mr Dalglish was a director of one of Mr Boyd's companies.

### Housing is | EEC told blamed for job losses

By Christopher Warman Property Correspondent

Scotland's high proportion. of council housing has led to unemployment and immobility of labour, according to a study published today by Aims of Industry the free enterprise organization.

It has led to a vicious circle io which subsidized low rent policies have increased the rate burden, "This has placed: an extra burden oo business, which has frequently led to closure or relocation and has, io turn, discouraged new firms from moving in. In turn, even more people became unemployed," Rachel

Tingle, the author, says.
While home ownership in England is more than 60 pen cent, figures for Scotlandshow that 37 per cent of homes were owner-occupied. 9 per cent privately rented, and 53 per cent council-

The most serious problem associated with Scotland's council housing was "the ensuing immobility of labour - and this has serious consequences for the whole Scottish economy. In a period of rapid economic change, high labour mobility is essential if Scotland is to achieve the ecocomic growth and prosperity of which she

is capable.".

The study, Housing and Mobility in Scotland, calls for an acceleration in the sale of council houses, encourage-ment for the refurbishment and sale of vandalized council property, and reform of the regulations for the private rented sector-

### Heather plant move to heath Hampstead Heath in west

London, the first area of common land preserved for the public since 1871, is to undergo a transplant opera-tion after the disbandment of the Greater Loodoo Council's conservation team. An acre of heather of the ling variety, Calluna vulgaris, is to be transferred to the highland of Parliament Hill from the Forestry Commision land in Surrey

# to act on cereal glut

died as he lay on a bed.

By John Young Agriculture Correspondent

EEC farm ministers must have the courage to act now to avoid a crisis arising from the massive cereals surplus, Mr Michael Jopling, Min-ister of Agriculture, said

yesterday. Speaking at an inter-national seminar in Berlin, he said that, failing a new initiative of some kind, the expected growth in produc-tion had no chance of finding an outlet.

Attempts to find new industrial uses for cereals or to expand traditional outlets were not enough to solve the

There were two ways of tackling the situation: produc-tion could be physically controlled, creating an enor-mons structure of bureaucratic interference and denying consumers the bene-fits of lower prices, or the the industry could be more exposed to market forces.

this will lead to the collapse of an essential ingredient of our society because of its effect oo rural life", Mr Jopling continued. "I frankly do not believe that it is an essential element of any country's life to live by producing goods that nobody wants to buy."

There was also a need to examine more critically the notion that a main aim of European agricultural policy should be to favour scale family farms.

### New laws urged to save small farms Legislation may be nec-

essary to protect the decline of small family farms in Britain which are the lifeblood of the countryside, Sir Richard Butler, President of the National Farmers' Union said yesterday (the Press Association reports).

Special belp is needed to enable small farmers to face

up to pressures on the industry, he said, and some areas may need EEC legislation. That should deal with four areas:quotas, payment, taxation and structures.

### 49% of clergy will vote Alliance, poll shows

The image of the Church of giving a head of £1.60 a ngland as the Tory Party at ayer suffers a further hlow th the disclosure that ariy half the church's clergy tend to vote Liberal/SDP liance at the next election.

In a Gallup Poll of rgymen published yesday, 49 per cent said they build vote Alliance, 24 per at Conservative and 13 per transcent. at Labour.

The poll was conducted for The poll was conducted for a Archhishop of Interbury's Commission on Idan Priority Areas, whose sport Faith in the City, was nech criticized by Tory MPs. In a sample of 402 clergymen interviewed, 189 were in nact city areas such as codon. Birmingham, and lewcastle upon Tyne. Inner city clergy, the sur-

ey found, were more sat-shed with their ministry han clergy in other areas. Marriage breakdowns were op of the problems they had to deal with in their parishes. Race relations came bottom of the list

They reported an average Sunday attendance at their churches of 119 and average

Evangelicals reported larger congregations than other

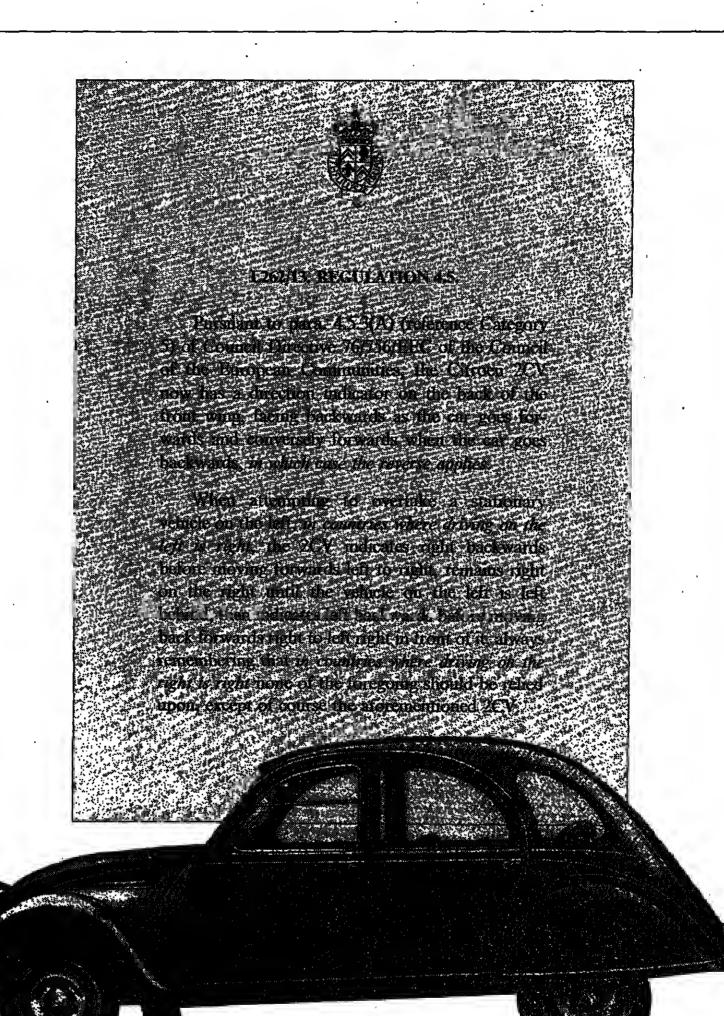
clergy.

Because they were oo relatively low incomes they were more dependent than other profes ing wives. The poll showed that 22 per cent of clergy wives had full-time jobs and 24 per cent part-time.

Only 11 per cent of clergy listed personal problems of faith among their concerns. Inner city clergy listed fears of mugging, poor education for their children, vandalism. difficulty io leaving their house unoccupied, exhaus-tion and being outnumbered by people of other faiths and cultures among their con-

But despite their problems, 43% said they would encourage others "very strongly" to join the ordanied ministry and 32% "quite

Gallup Survey of Church of England Clergymen (Church House Bookshop, Great Smith St, London SW1; £7.95).

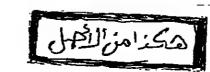


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# Court ruling threatens judge's inquiry into Chile police methods

A decision by three judges of Chile's Supreme Court threatens to paralyse a ju-dicial investigation into the murders of three opposition leaders of three opposition leaders which has created serious political problems for the military regime of President Pinochet.

In March last year the bodies of a teachers' union

leader, a commercial artist and a worker in the Roman Catholic Church's human rights department were found in a field, virtually drained of blood with their throats

Judge José Cánovas's in-vestigation has already led to the closure of a special police department dedicated to "anti-subversive" operations and the arrest of several highranking officers of the Cara-

bineros police force.

In August, a member of the military junta, General Cesar Mendoza of the Caribineros, was forced to resign as a result of Judge Cánovas's findings. It caused bitter dispute in Chile's normally united armed forces.

But early last week, less than a month after 12 of the 13 members of the Supreme Court had a friendly lunch with General Pinochet, three Supreme Court judges or-dered the release of two Carabineros colonels indicted by Judge Cánovas.

A Chilean journalist who specializes in the court sys-



she concluded that "recent events confirm the evidence of the past 12 years: the judicial system does not function independently of the

government".

A veteran political ob-Paulsen, went one step furdecision, he said, is part of the Government's strategy to remove a politically dan-gerous situation from the public domain of the courts. From the start, the military Government denied any

tory police reports, witnesses' Chilean testimony and circumstantial names em spoke for many when evidence, the structure and crimes

modus operandi of Chile's security services has become increasingly apparent.

A hitherto hidden but bitter rivalry between the uniformed Carabineros and the political police became public knowledge when the latter provided Judge Canovas with the names of Carabineros members in-

Carabineros members involved in the killings.

The Canovas case, as it has become known, has also opened the way for other investigations which have investigations which have revealed to Chileans what many people abroad already knew: detail of the military's "dirty war" against oppo-nents since it took power,

This month he finally found and ordered the arrest of one of the most feared political police informers, a former member of the communist youth organization. whose detention and betrayal A veteran political ob- of his colleagues led to their server, Señor Fernando disappearance and probable death in 1976. But this week Judge Canovas was forced to order

the release of the informer, Señor Miguel Estay (alias The Ghost) after the Supreme Court made its decision. Unless the ruling is reversed, it will be very involvement in the Cánovas case, classifying it as criminal rather than political.

But, little by little, as Judge Cánovas has unwound the tangled threads of contradic-Chilean law, reveals their



ction of an Aero Californian DC3 airliner on a hillside near Los Mochis city is co, where it crashed on Wednesday, killing all 21 people on board.

### Nine more counts against Tan

Singapore (AP) -The tician, Mr Tan Koon Swan, was charged in court here with nine additional counts of the Pan-Electric Industries Ltd. conglomerate.

Mr Tan, aged 45, was charged last Thursday with six counts of abetting crim-"dishonestly dispose" of inal breach of trust de 5.6 million Singapore dollars (\$2.6 million ) worth of assets in the Pan-Electric group. Mr Tan has pleaded not

guilty to all the charges, but be is free on bail of 40 million Singapore dollars (\$18.8 million). His case is scheduled to

He now faces a total of 15 counts of frand and deception, abetting criminal breach of trust and frandulently manipulating the stock market involving assets worth about \$13.6 million.

He is charged under the Securities Industry Act and the Companies Act, which

Mr Tan is president of the main ethnic Chinese political party, the Malaysian Chinese Association, the second largest party in Malaysia's National Front Coalition.

He is widely regarded as the most politically powerful and economically infinential Chinese in Malaysia.

Trading in Pan-Electric shares was suspended on November 19. It was ordered into receivership by a court

### Euthanasia trial

### Mass murder case takes gentle pace on doctors' orders

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

three hours at a time.

Despite the almost limitless seriousness of the charges, they have to be treated gently because of their age and health. They are in their seventies and all have infirmities of one kind or

another. Indeed, their physical conditions have kept them out of court for 20 years. It was 20 years ago that they first stood trial and ever since they have managed to produce doctors' certificates to show why further court appearances would put a strain on their

They are experts on such matters. They are themselves doctors — the three survivors of the medical team which in 1940 and 1941 allegedly carried out the euthanasia programme on Germany's insane and terminally ill.

Arraigned in Frankfurt on Wednesday were Dr Aquilin Ullrich, aged 71, Dr Heinrich Bunke, aged 71, and Dr Klaus Endruweit, aged 72. They stood trial for the same offences 20 years ago and were acquitted on the grounds that they did not know what they had done had been illegal.

Such a verdict was a denial of the poor Nurambers

of the post-Nuremberg morality which said an act was not legal simply because the state said it was the law or ordered a citizen or soldier to do it. The prosecution appealed against the acquittal and the federal high court ruled that the three must

stand trial again. For the next 20 years, they managed to get certificates of ill health from sympathetic

Throughout the coming months, and perhaps for the whoke year, three men charged with being accessories to several thousand murders will appear in court in Frankfurt — but only once a week and then for only three hours at a time.

Despite the almost limit—

Throughout the coming appear. His lawyer said he had kidney and circulation trouble. Given his age, there is no reason to doubt it.

But still, the willingness to help keep the three out of court reflects badly on the minority of the West German medical profession responsible for doing so. This sible for doing so. This sympathy for those who carried out the euthanasia programme goes back a long

The programme was carried out under the leadership of two doctors who were also vigorous Nazis: Dr Karl Brandt and Dr Werner Heyde. Brandt was hanged by the Americans in 1948 but hands exceed from Americans. Heyde escaped from American custody and was con-demned to death in absentia. He practised for years in Schleswig-Holstein under the name of Dr Fritz Swade. protected by other doctors and some of the regional health officials who knew who he stalls was Thinking who he really was. Thinking himself about to be discovered, Heyde gave himself up in 1959. He would no longer have been sentenced to death because he would have been because he would have been tried by a West German court and the country had abolished capital punishment. But he killed himself a few days before his trial.

The euthanasia programme was carried out under a "Fuhrer order" whereby peo-ple designated as "uscless eaters" or those who had "an existence without a natural will to life" were put to death by carbon-monoxide poisoning. Relatives were told they had died from natural causes.

The programme is thought to have resulted in about 70,000 deaths. The victims were taken from psychiatric hospitals throughout Germany to three centres equipped for the purpose: Brandenburg, near Berlin; Bernburg, in the Saale area. members of their profession. Which is now in East Germany, and Pirna, Saxony, dant Dr Endruweit did not also now in East Germany.

### Pledge by China on reporting

Hong Kong (Reuter) - A senior Chinese official promised press executives here yesterday that Hong Kong would retain press freedom after it reverted to China in

But Mr Lu Ping, Secretary General of China's Hong Kong and Macao Affairs saying that Peking would not allow its sovereignty over the territory to be harmed.
"He said there would be

press freedom on the major condition that its sovereignty should not be damaged," said Mr T. W. Leung of the Hong Kong News Executives

restrictions on reporting.

### Police link killings by fingerprint Paris (AFP) - Police have

found a fingerprint to link six women in Paris with a series of nine similar murders in the Montmartre area in 1984.

One police theory was that they had all been committed by the same killer - but they had no proof. Now the prove the theory.

The majority of victims were more than 80 years old. None was younger than 73. The series of murders in 1984, within a 1,000-yard radius of the Sacré Coem cathedral, baffled police and

Association.
Mr Robin Hutcheon, chief editor of the South China Morning Post, said Mr Lu was told of fears of legal or suffocated. Only cash was

### Legal action threatened

### Madrid plea on Goya masterpiece auction

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Spain has publicly apthe property of the state, pealed to Christie's, the Fines of np to £500,000 can auctioneers, not to go ahead be imposed for illegal exwith the planned sale of a ports. 19th century masterpiece by the painter Francisco Goya The Culture Ministry maintains that the documents offered to show its export had been legally approved are falsifications. "We do not reckon a house

"We do not reckon a house with a reputation of Christie's will go ahead with auctioning a painting taken illegally out of Spain," Señor Miguel Sastrustegui, secretary general at the ministry, said, The Culture Ministry has been on the track of "The Marquesa of Santa Cruz", one of Goya's great midperiod paintings, dating from 1805, since the summer of 1963. It then alerted Interpol that the painting had been smuggled out of the country after being sold by the heirs after being sold by the heirs of a Basque banker, going first apparently to the United States and then Britain.

"I just do not believe a painting sought by Interpol could be auctioned," Señor Sastrustegui said, adding that the Government intends to take legal action where necessary to recover the masterpiece. The possibilities of international co-operation are good, he said.
Three people, including the

former owners, had proceed-ings opened against them in 1983 before a Madrid court. Under Spain's Protection of the National Patrimony Law passed by Parliament last summer, any works of art more than 100 years old discovered being exported without the approval of a special expert board become

But even under the previous law dating from the 1930s, approval for export Sastrustegui said that authorization for the Goya painting had never been sought. The senior official at the Culture Ministry who raised the alarm in 1983. after an anonymous claim that the painting was in America, and who said he

approved its export," he said."All the famous world galleries knew of the picture's position."
The authorities here

had seen the export docu-ments, described them as

lieve that the painting after being bought by an Argentine-based Spanish businessman, was smuggled out in a yacht before being sold in Switzerland to a British company, its present The painting, if sold, expected to fetch millions

pounds. It was once acquired by Franco with the idea of presenting it to Hitler because the reclining marquest holds a Grecian lyre decorated with a swastika symbol. The new law was bady needed. In 1983, after the alarm was sounded, a member of the Exports Board said more than half of art exports never came before them. While we are reviewing objects of often trivial worth paintings like Goya's
"Marquesa" leave the comtry by other means," she said

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# Howe to face stiff test on apartheid in Lusaka

when he attends a meeting of foreign ministers of the EEC and African "front line" states io Lusaka next Mon-

day and Tuesday.
Sir Geoffrey is likely to come in for renewed criticism by the African leaders for Britain's refusal to impose ecocomie sanctions oo South

Although he will argue that British policy is in line with that of its European partners, there is a widely held view among the Africans that British foot-dragging has prevented the Community from adopting a more robust policy towards apartheid. The Foreign Secretary could also find himself in a difficult position if he comes face-to-face with leaders of

the African National Con-

gress while in Lusaka.

Although the ANC will not be attending the two-day meeting, which is being hosted by Presideot Kaunda of Zambia, chairman of the "front lioe" states, they will be very much io evidence at the fringes of the cooference. Mr Oliver Tambo, the ANC senior ANC leaders have apartheid. been invited to attend a oumber of social functions at

which Sir Geoffrey will also

Sir Geoffiey Howe, the prison Britaio has steadfastly Foreign Secretary, will need refused to have any official all of his diplomatic skills cootact with the organization because it advocates violence.

Does this mean he will

refuse to talk to Mr Tambo or his colleagues if they try to approach him? If be declines would offend his hosts. The meeting, the first of its kind between the EEC and the foreign ministers of Angola, Botswana, Mozam-bique, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe, stems from a proposal made last year by former President Julius Nyerere of Tanzania.

Although South Africa's involvement in Namibia and Angola will be high on the agenda, Pretoria's domestic policies will be the main focus of attention. The foreign ministers will

closely examine the speech which President Botha is due to make before the South African Parliament today to see if it cootains any signs that the Government is prepared to start talking to black leaders about moving away from apartheid.

Both the EEC and the Commoowealth have warned that they will consider imposing new restrictions on South leader, has his beadquarters Africa if progress is oot made in Lusaka and he and other soon towards dismantling

Oo the Commoowealth side, a decisioo whether to take further action will not be be present.

Although Britain bas put its name to EEC and Commonwealth resolutions pleted its report, probably by calling oo South Africa to lift early July, on the prospects its ban oo the ANC and to for promoting dialogue be-release its president, Mr tween Pretoria and black Nelsoo Maodela, from leaders. Land of darkness, permafrest - and untold riches

Selling Siberia to the Russians



the extreme cold is a big factor in the losing battle to attract labour to the

years (in practice, many stick many of Siberia's 29 million it for no longer than one) as inhabitants (excluding the the key to Mr Mikhail unknown total still in labour

to join the search for the forbidding region's massive deposits of minerals.

For us, this is a relatively Gorbachov's plan to revive the flagging Seviet economy. The riches of Siberia include mild day, the schools are still functioning above the fourth grade and men are still out gas, diamonds, gold, coal As well as providing such bonuses as three times the working on the construction sites", explained the mayor, Yuri Korkin, whose grand-father was banished here by average Soviet wage, the right

to quene-iump for a new car. holiday rest homes in the retirement, the Kremlin is also trying to transform the image of Siberia from that of desolate penal colony to a ological innovation.

permafrost institute to be over twice those elsewhere in camps) refer to the rest of the the Soviet Union. Soviet Union as "the mainland". Statistics pro-The problems facing the Kremlin in exploiting what is vided by the state airline known as "the Soviet El

three times a year in an attempt to make life tolnher six in the new coalmining town of Neryungri, where the population has jumped from ail to over 100,000 in ten years, but Senior Soviet officials told The Times that the main drive to attract labour was the shortage of housing (a wait of over three years in a hostel is not uncommoo) and of kindergartens. Housing costs

Aeroflot, show that each person flies out on average

were estimated by Dr Pavil

In a classroom dominated by portraits and sayings of Lenin, a group of 12 model pupils were produced to

explain their thoughts about

Dorado" were glariogly

When asked by one Western prepared to stay on after their

Of the hardy, ambitious and often youthful Soviet citizens who have heeded the Kremlin's clarion call (the average age in Neryungri is rab my face with ice, it is the best way to keep out the cold, said Nina Mckin, wife of the foreman of a truck repair depot. "In the su

N Zealand spurns bid to 'buy' two agents

Wellington (Reuter) - New Zealand said yesterday it was powerless to force France to pay compensation for bomb-ing the Greenpeace protest ship Rainbow Warrior but repeated that it would not cootemplate freeing two jailed French secret agents.

The Prime Minister, Mr David Lange, said that there was virtually nothing a country of 3.5 million people could do to make France pay for the operation it ordered which sank the Greenpeace flagship and killed one of the

"If you're big and you're powerful and you commit a crime, you don't, in the French view, have to acknowledge it." he said. "France simply wants to buy back two criminals...The simple fact is that we cannot in New Zealand sell two

The French Prime Minister, M Laurent Fabius, said in Paris on Wednesday that compensation talks between France and New Zealand were stalled by Wellington's refusal to occotiate the release of Captain Domioique Prieur and Major Alaio Mafart of the DCSE intelligence service, who are each serving 10 years for their role io the sabotage operation last FJuly.

about \$11 million (£7.8 million) from France for the costs of the police iovestiga-tion and as damages for the iovasion of its sovereignty.

• ORLEANS: M Jacques Chirac, the French right-wing oppositioo leader, accused New Zealand of helping groups working against French interests and called on Wellington to release the (Reuter reports).

# US warns firms in Angola

From Michael Binyon Washington

As Dr Jonas Savimbi, the President Reagan yesterday, the Admioistration called in effect oo US oil and other companies to consider pull-

ing out of Angola.
The State Department said: "We are telling American companies active in Angola that they should take oote of the fact that they are in the middle of a war, operating at great risk and that they should be thinking about US inational interests as well as

their own.' He said the US viewed with concern the escalation of the war io Augola, the growing Soviet involvement and the failure of the Luanda Government to occupiate and He said the move towards a settlement in

Much of the hard currency earned from oil exports was used to import military equipment and pay for Cu-ban troops, the spokesman

His call came after similar remarks by Mr Chester US arms, mainly tanks and Crocker, the US Assistant anti-aircraft missiles. He had talks with Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, oo

the Czars. "It is only the

weak who cannot face it and

Western economic experts regard the Kremlin drive to

use material incentives to

nde workers to move

The Reagan Administration wants to give effective support to the South Africanbacked Unita rebels despite strong opposition in Congress. It has reportedly asked the Secate iotelligeoce committee for \$10-15 million in covert assistance to be administered by the Central Intelligence Agency.

Dr Jonas Savimbi: seeking arms from Mr Reagan. Secretary of State for African Affairs, who this week reversed previous Administratioo support for the Gulf Oil Company operation in Angola's Cabinda enclave. Administratioo view.

company, which produces \$2 billioo (about £1.3 billion) worth of oil a year, had not accelerated the Namibia independence negotiating pro-Dr Savimbi, the anti-Marxist Unita guerrilla leader, is here for a week to seek

From Christopher Walker Yakutsk, eastern Siberia

Visibility was reduced to a

stilts above the permanently frozen sub-soil and triple

mouths of every year. During

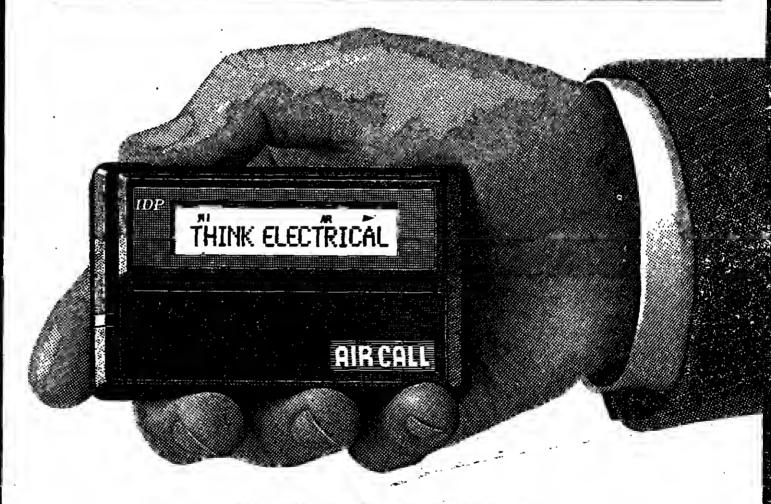
volved in the costly Soviet drive designed to persuade an estimated one million workers

the winter that lasts for

Angola relies on oil for foreign exchange, and in 1984 the Administration said US business participation was "in the long-term interest of both our nations and of all Angolans". But the State Department, while repeating this oo Wednesday, suggested it was oo longer really the

> A clear reason for the change is the belief bere that if Dr Savimbi is to be given more arms and backing his first priority will be to attack important targets such as Angola's oil installations. The Administration does oot want to be held accountable for losses sustained by US

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### Paper refuses to pay ANC case damages

Johannesburg (AP) - The Johannesburg Star yesterday said it would not pay £25,000 in libel damages awarded by a British court to a guerrilla leader, saying the court had no jurisdiction in the case.

The editor, Mr Harvey Tyson, said in a statemen that the paper apologized in priot long ago for its error io reporting that Mr Joe Slovo. white leader of the outlawed African National Congress, had arranged the murder of his wife, Ruth First, in Mozambique in

He said the retraction did not ideotify Mr Slovo by name for fear of repeating the libel. The paper later offered settlement to Mr Slovo. including damages and pay-ment of his legal costs.

### Mistakes committed by Gandhi trial judge

Delhi (Reuter) - The Delhi stop shining floodlights or thern at night.
The joint petitioo by Keha murder trial committed irregularities when be sen-tenced the three defendants to death last week, but it declined to quash the sen-

A two-judge panel, ruling on a petition by two of the coovicted men challenging the validity of the sentencing, said it was up to a full appeals hearing to decide whether to quash the verdict and sentences. Appeals in the case will also be held in the High Court but have oot yet

The judges ordered authorities at Delhi's Tihar jail to remove the convicted men from solitary confinewear, allow them to wear turbans and shoes and to out appeal was misplaced.

The joint petitioo by Kehar Singh and Balbir Singh, convicted of conspiring to murder Mrs Gandhi, challenged the legality of the death sentences oo the larities and omissions by the trial judge, Mr Mohesh Chandra. The third defendant, Satwant Singh, has yet to launch his appeal.

The judges said sentencing did not conform with the criminal code because Mr Chandra failed to utter the regulation phrase that the convicted mea should be hanged by the neck until

The judges said the fear of ment, issue them with wioter the two coovicted men that

# Botha overrules ban on slogans

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

cancelled an edict banning the public display or distribua of all posters, pamphlets. tickers and even clothing pressing a political view oint or slogan of any kind. The han, issued oo Vednesday by the Cape own police chief, had been knoweed as "absurd and idiculous" by civil rights proups and the anti-apartheid proposition tion in the white of Assembly, the sive Federal Party

Frederik van Zyl Slabbert, the PFP leader, said: "We must be one of the fen countries in the world that pretend to have a parliamentary democracy sanned by decree by man when the head of

speech and the no-confidence racially-divided Parliament debate in Parliament is about might be one of the moves to begin".
Today President Botha will

open the 1986 session of Parliament, which in addition to the House of Assembly has separate chambers for mixed-race coloureds and Indians, in a speech that is tipped to set the Government's policy agenda for the year. Mr Botha has been urged

hy the business com here, worried about the eco-nomic consequences of the continuing unrest, and by white liberal groups and moderate black leaders to make a bold statement of the Government's reform plans. Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, leader of the conservative Zulu-based Inkatha organiza-

inclusion of black MPs or

tion, said he thou

might be one of the moves announced by Mr Botha. But said that a segregated Parliament would continue to be rejected by most blacks. Meanwhile, a black man was shot dead and five other people were injured by police on Wednesday as vic

ned in black townships Police said unrest io Munziville, near Krugersdorp spread to a nearby suburb on Wednesday when a petrol bomb was Some black schools sburg, reoper cotts, were disrupted by gangs of youngsters armed with hatchets and sticks.



# Nation rallies to Reagan call for a return to space

From Michael Binyon, Washington

President Reagan yesterday sent a personal letter to be read to the t.200 pupils at the school in Concord, New Hampshire, where Mrs Christa McAuliffe, the teacher who died in the shuttle explosion, used to

Governor John Sununu of New Hampshire proclaimed an official memorial to Mrs McAuliffe, and asked the state's residents and religious leaders to set aside time this weekend to honour her and

As the nation absorbed the initial shock of Tuesday's shuttle disaster, Congress and public opinion has rallied quickly around President has to go on and so does the space programme.

Despite early questions about the wisdom of continuing manned space flights, congressional leaders, and particularly those who have flown in space or on the shuttle, now say that the disaster in the next few programme cannot be halted, weeks, to look at the way and that America must not Nasa is conducting the in-lose its nerve. They expressed quiry. These will not dupli-

confidence that the flights would begin again once the cause of the disaster had been

Congressman support in general the idea of replacing Challenger, but admit that budget restrictions may make it difficult to find the money. Representative Edward Boland, a Democrat who heads the sub-committee handling appropriations for the space programme, says he favours building a fourth orbiter to replace Challenger.

But the new vehicle would cost \$2 hillion (£1.4 hillion), and with the new budgetbalancing law forcing sharp cuts in all domestic programmes, a replacement would mean a drastic cutback in other space programmes. As it is, Nasa is due to lose \$320 million out of its \$7.6 billion for the current financial year.

Both the Senate and House of Representatives will hold their own hearings into the

Prince Felipe of Asturias

takes the oath

The Prince of Asturias

active sportsman, in a country troubled by terrorism. Only one MP from a small

Catalan republican party boy-cotted the ceremony, saying he must devote his time to Spain's "more important

Strict security was in force

preferred a life different from

terrorist attack.

cate the scientific inquity, but will give Nasa a chance to explain its procedure to Congress. Congressmen have emphasized their support for and confidence in Nasa.

Despite calls fit the greater

use of unmanded rockets, Congress accepts that public enthusiasm for space ven-tures has been generated and fed by manned missions, and this has ensured the funding

MOSCOW: After its earlier regrained and factual reports on the disaster, the state-run Soviet press yes-terday took the opportunity to tell the Pentagon that it showed how important it was not to use space as a military arena (Our Correspondent

Pravda said: "Though i seemed that the tragic sight of people dying in public should underscore the basic need to unite man's creative efforts in the difficult task of using space peacefully, there are some officials in Washington who find it possible to urge the speedy militarization of space."

### Prince swears to serve democracy

From Richard Wigg Madrid

Spain's Crown Prince, Don Felipe de Bourbon, yesterday swore on his eighteenth hirthday to uphold his country's democratic constitution at a solemn joint session of both Houses of Parliament.

It was a ceremony of colour and some pomp watched live on television by millions of Spaniards. Historians said it was without precedent - no Spanish crown prince had ever before sworn to a written constitution — only kings and queens. It took officials of the Cortes, the Spanish Par-liament, and the Royal household weeks to finalize details.

Hardly more than 10 years after King Juan Carlos came to the throne after Franco's death, the ceremony served to emphasize the continuity and emphasize the continuity and stability a monarchy can offer. Having been held in Parliament, it stressed the present king's remarkable insistence on the constitutional monarchy's identifica-

tion with the people.

Spaniards had only to look neighbouring Portugal, where the current election of a new head of state in-

troduced n threateaing polarization of society. The ceremony was held in the same building that almost five years ago was the scene of a coup attempt by right-wing Spanish Army officers — an attempt aborted after the King's intervention.

In morning dress, the future Philip VI swore the oath, which included fidelity to the King on the original copy of the 1978 constitution, before Schor Gregorio Peces Barba, the Speaker of the lower bouse and a leader in a Socialist Party formally still

r annitted to a republic.
The Prince's parents, King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, and more than 500 MPs stood watching the

anger at

range deal

From Our Correspondent

While Canberra continues

by the tests have been

angered by the arrangement

reached in London last week

between the Hawke and Thatcher governments.

Lawyers for Aborigina

groups say the agreement, for a joint investigation by Brit-ish and Australian scientists

into a possible clean-up

operation at the Maralinga range, effectively rejects two recommendations by the McClelland Commission. These are that Britain

should pay for an operation

to make Maralinga fit for unrestricted habitation again,

and that Aborigines should

supervisory body.
Senator Gareth Evans.
Minister for Energy and
Resources, said after talks in

London with Mr Norman Lamont Minister for De-

fence Procurement, that Canberra had not expected Britain to accept full liability

But the lawyers are worried

ment means that Aboriginal interests will be neglected.

for a clean-up.

# Aquino big lead

With a week to go to the presidential elections the Opposition believes Mrs Corazoo Aquino has a five million vote lead over President Marcos, according to a national opinion poll.

group called Professional Business Executives for as effective Aquino-Lanrel. Mr Fred Arena as hobattlefield, chairman, said it had covered the Philippines' 13 regions, questioning some 2,000 vot-ers in each local district. In Manila, the capital, a cross-section of 10,000 people were

The five million vote figure is highly significant for the Opposition because it is believed that for Mr Marcos to win next Friday with such an opposition margin would require cheating so massive it would be impossible to con-

the title given to Spanish Crown Princes since the 14th century — is training as an officer cadet at the Saragossa Military Academy, Spain's Sandhurst. Yesterday's ceremony will ensure him of the throne should anything happen to King Juan Carlos, an accreditation of a monitorin service whose quick count in the 1984 parliamentary elections prevented widespread cheating by the regime.

Mrs Aquino dropped her rather defensive style yes-terday and quoted Isaiah in defining the election as a contest between good and

in the city centre for fear of a back power to our oppressed

She quoted the condemning words of Isaiah:" You are laws but oppress my people".

# Poll gives

From David Watts

The poll was taken by a interviewed.

"While Doy Laurel and I have been doing everything humanly possible to bring

people, there comes a point when God's power has to intervene. We cannot win the election without God's help. I have no cheating that of future king, Prince Felipe replied: "Frankly yes". But he added: "At times it may seem hard but everyone has their task to fulfil in life and you must do it to the best of ways ability." experience.

### **Aborigine | Howe and Dumas look** at Soviet arms offer

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent

counterpart, met yesterday to evaluate the latest arms to maintain a discreet silence about the Royal Commission's findings on British nuclear tests in Australia, Aborigines affected by the Aborigines affected control offer put forward on January t5 by Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, and in particular his pro-posals for reducing and eventually eliminating me-dium-range missiles in Eu-

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Gorbachov's offer for direct Foreign Secretary, and M negotiations on reducing nu-Roland Dumas, his French clear weapons until and negotiations on reducing nu-clear weapons until and unless the Soviet Union and the US had made big cuts in their own nuclear arsenals. The British and French

Union. rope.

The two ministers, who were holding one of their regular meetings, agreed that neither Britain nor France text of improving East-West ever, prepared to discuss arms control issues with Moscow in the broader con-

represent only a tiny fraction of those held by the Soviet Signor Craxi has not re-jected the proposal but is at present cool towards it. Italian officials say that certainconditions must be met, including Colonel he is against terrorism.





Mr Godfrey Binaisa, right, n former President of Uganda, greeting President Museven who was sworn in on Wednesday and was once Mr Binaisa's Defence Minister-

# Britain's hopes for unity

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Officially, Britain has re- It is feared in London that acted with studied caution to if Mr. Museveni does not the military takeover in PresidentMuseveni's National Resistance Army.

Having seen leaders come and go amid varying degrees of bloodshed and turmoil in the 24 years since Uganda became independent, it is hardly surprising that of-ficials in Whitehall are wondering if Mr Museveni will be any more successful than his predecessors in uniting his country and restoring stability.

Privately, bowever, British officials are desperately hop-ing that Mr Museveni will be as effective in the political arena as he has been on the

succeed quickly in uniting the country under his leadership, Uganda could face a prolonged civil war which could spill into neighbouring Kenya and lead to intervention by radical states to the north.

The British Government

has been encouraged by Mr Museveni's public statements, particularly his emphasis on the need for stability and respect for burnan rights. It believes that if he can consolidate his authority, he will follow middle-of-the-road political and economic policies which would allow Uganda, potentially one of Africa's most

the country's endemic tribal rivalries, do not give too much cause for optimism.

Museveni shows he can set up a stable administration in Kampala. It has already offered to help resettle into civilian life the tens of thousands of Ugandans currently under arms.

Seven members of a British military training team have been in Uganda since last summer, although they have would allow Uganda, potentially one of Africa's most prosperous nations, to repair ued fighting.

It is feared in London that the damage caused by years Mr. Museveni does not of tyranny and conflict. However Uganda's turbulent past, and in particular

Britain stands ready to provide substantial aid if Mr

movement — Mr Ponsiano
Mulema, the Finance Minister, who was an MP for the
opposition Democratic Party
during the administration of
President Obote, ousted in a
military coup in July.
President Museveni says
that about 6,000 soldiers of
the opsted regime hove

the ousted regime have surrendered. But thousands of others have fied to northern Uganda, engaging in ram-pages which have given the President the dilemma of whether to pursue them now or consolidate his new hold on the south.

in areas of northern Uganda to which troops of the military regime ousted by President Museveni have re-

resident Nussevent nave treated. In at least two towns, most residents have fled from rampaging soldiers, Western diplomats and aid officials

National Resistance Army (NRA) guerrillas captured Kampala at the weekend, named Mr Samson Kisekka,

aged 73, a physician, as Prime Minister. Of the six men appointed to the Cabi-

net, only one has not been a member of the guerrilla movement — Mr Ponsiano

Son of

executed

hero for

London

Bonn (Reuter) - The son of a German officer executed by the Nazis for his attempt to kill Adolf Hitler has been appointed West Germany's Defence Attacke to Britain, a

Colonel Berthold von

Stauffenburg will take up his new post in London with the rank of Brigadier General on

His father, Claus von

Stauffenburg, was shot in July 1944 after planting a

bomb at a military command

meeting with Hitler in a failed officers' coup codenamed "Operation Valkyrie". He is now honoured in West Germany

as a national resistance hero.

Privas (AP) - A full emergency has been declared

in the mountainous Ardeche region of south-east France after 5ft snowfalls brought

down electricity lines, cutting power to more than 60,000 people in area and neighbouring regions.

The state-owned power

service, Electricité de France, said they could not predict when the power services could be restored.

Syrians jailed

tenced to five years imprison-

Militant freed

Brussels (Reuter) - Mr Ronald van den Bogaert, a

Belgian socialist militant, jailed in Zaire for 10 years

for alleged subversion, has arrived in Belgium after President Mobutu granted his

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Rotorua (Reuter) - Patients

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Peking (AFP) - Peking is to

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Seoul (AFP) - A South

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paper reported.

freedom last weekend.

Cruel sales

Snow blacks

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said yesterday.

April I.

Western aid officials said yesterday that soldiers of the onsted government had taken the town of Soroti in east-

the town of Soroti in east-central Uganda, prompting many of the residents to flee. On Wednesday, Unicef and Red Cross workers flew to Soroti and rescued a British couple by plane. In north-western Uganda

Vienna (AFP) - Two Syrians who hijacked a Lufthansa Boeing 727 with 41 passengers and crew to Vienna in February last year while it was flying from Frankfurt to Damascus, have been sentenced to five years imprisonmost expatriate aid workers had been rescued since the arrival of retreating army troops and members of an allied group composed of soldiers who served under the dictator Idi Amin in the

In Kampala, the main business area was bustling, with only banks still closed. NRA soldiers, many of them in their early teens, were visible throughout the city. But Kampala residents said the guerrillas were polite and not harass people. Leading article, page 13

The search for Middle East peace

# Husain mission on brink of failure

From Ian Morray Amman

The year-old Middle East peace initiative of King Husain of Jordan is on the brink of failure after five days of futile talks bere between leaders of the Palestine Lib-More important for the cration Organization and the conduct of a remotely fair clection is a struggle for the clection as a struggle for the clection of a remotely fair clection is a struggle for the clection as a struggle for the clection and the cration Organization and the recognizes Israel's right to clection is a struggle for the clean is a struggle

The talks, which were reportedly stormy, have foundered on the question of mutual recognition. Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO chairman, would not accept UN
resolutions which implicitly
give Israel the right to exist
unless he had simultaneous

means of convening an intermetrical recognition. Mr
new American detour around
the problem was put forward
by the King to freeze the
recognition while ways and
means of convening an inter-US acknowledgement of the

right of self-determination for the Palestinians.

Throughout the long, hard sessions round the negotiat-ing table, the King fought dan and a Palestinian home-

Craxi pressed

to hold

occupied territory. But it has been impossible

or the plan, agreed with Mr Arafat last February, off the ground because Israel, supported wholeheartedly in this matter by the US, will not talk to the PLO until it unable to put together a joint delegation - with the PLO to negotiate.

During the latest talks a national peace conference were agreed. At this stage Israel would talk to Palestinian representatives, even if

they had PLO links Only when the arrangehard to save his plan for a ments were endorsed by confederation between Jor- everyone concerned would

land in what is now Israeli- the relevant UN resolutions and thus be given a seat at the oegotiating table.Broad agreement on this route was reached in separate meetings
Mr Richard Murphy, US
Assistant Secretary of State
for Middle East Affairs, had
in Europe last week with
King Husain and Mr Shimon
Perss the Israeli Prime Peres, the Israeli Prime

But Mr Arafat would have representing the Palestinians oone of it, and put forward a counter-suggestion for a state-ment linking his acceptance of the resolutions with US recognition of Palestinian rights. The Americans in turn would have none of that; and the detour became a dead

With no progress possible, key members of the PLO team have left Amman. Jordanian sources confirm that no more meetings are scheduled.

The King now has to the PLO be asked to accept decide between doing nothing to try a third option."

and trying to form a delega-tion of Palestinians free of selling them to customers PLO influence. In either case observers hold out little hope of the plan surviving its first birthday on February 11."I cannot be optimistic any Patient lion more," one senior Western diplomat said. "The whole thing is running into the sand." and doctors barricaded themselves inside a Rotorua hos-

• JERUSALEM: Mr Peres from Europe, that the ball was now firmly in King Husain's court (David Bernstein writes). He conceded that "there

has been no fundamental change in the situation since I left for Europe. The Americans - and others as

ban unnecessary foreign travel by official delegations because many members have spent too lavishly while ahroad, draining precious

well - are waiting to see where Jordan is going." King Husain had "just three choices: to continue his dealings with the PLO, which don't believe will lead anywhere; to move towards Syria and President Assad; or



Strike spreads Madrid (Reuter) - About 300 convicts in three Spanish jails have joined a hunger strike started last weekend by 50 inmates at Barcelona's Modelo prison to press the authorities for pardons.

Ship sunk

Malaga (Reuter) - Rescue teams have recovered the bodies of three members of a Spanish cargo ship with nine crew on aboard which sank in stormy seas off the coast

Nixon better

Miami (Reuter) -The for-mer US President, Mr Richmer US President, MI Alta-ard Nixon, has been released from hospital after being for influenza and

### Gadaffi talks From John Earle Signor Bettino Craxi, the Italian Prime Minister, is considering a proposal for him to meet the Libyan leader, Colonel Gadaffi, in Malta to discuss the easing of tension in the Mediterranean. The proposal came in a letter on Tuesday from the Maltese Prime Minister, Mr Carmelo Mifsud Bonnici, and is reported to have the warm assent of the Libyan leader.

Gadaffi demonstrating that he is against terrorism.

The Duke of Kent being welcomed to the British military ski championship at Innsbruck, he is against terrorism.

Austria, by the captain of a local company of marksmen and children.

### Superannuation with unions deal may frighten Australian employers

From Stephen Taylor Sydney

After three years of relative

peace on Australia's turbulent industrial front it had become possible, until recently, to wring the admission from even the most hard-nosed employer that a Labor gov-ernment could have benefits. Now, however, a deal between Canberra and the unions has set boardroom alarm bells ringing again.

Depending on the point of view, Australia is about to undertake the biggest social reform since the Second World War, or to give birth to a mouster. The issue which has news-

paper leader writers reaching for such hyperbole is super-annuation. About a quarter of Australia's workforce is covered by a retirement contribu-tion scheme. The unions and the Government intend that by 1988 — which happens to be the bicentenary of white settlement — it should be

There is little dispute about the desirability of such a scheme. The present old-age pension — \$Aus95 (£45) a week for a single person and \$Aus157 for a couple — might be a bit more generous than in Britain, but it does not go very far here either. There is also the fact that

five workers; at the rate at which the labour force is reduced to four within 15 When the Prices and in-

comes Accord, the vehicle for co-operation between Government and the Australian Council of Trade Unions (ACTU), was renewed in September, little acount was at first taken of a clause which granted, instead of the 4 per cent increase claimed by the unions, 3 per cent in the form of new or extra emplnyers' superannuation For the ACTU the deal

was nothing short of a

triumph. In its keenness to see the accord extended, the Government had conceded a major point of principle. Business also had cause for relief at the accord's survival. Time lost last year to industrial stoppages was only a quarter of that in 1981.

But it took little time for But it took little time for the implications of the mark two accord to sink in. Bound to wage increases under the agreement, the employers suddenly realized that it also bound them to superannua-tion. The fact is, according to an industrial observer, that this deal was done between this deal was done between the Government and the the Government and the unions without even consulting those who are to pay,

As matters stand, from July employers will be obliged to pay 3 per cent of an employee's wage into funds to be created for each industry in conjunction with the appropriate union. Workers outside these schemes will ers outside these schemes will be covered by a Government

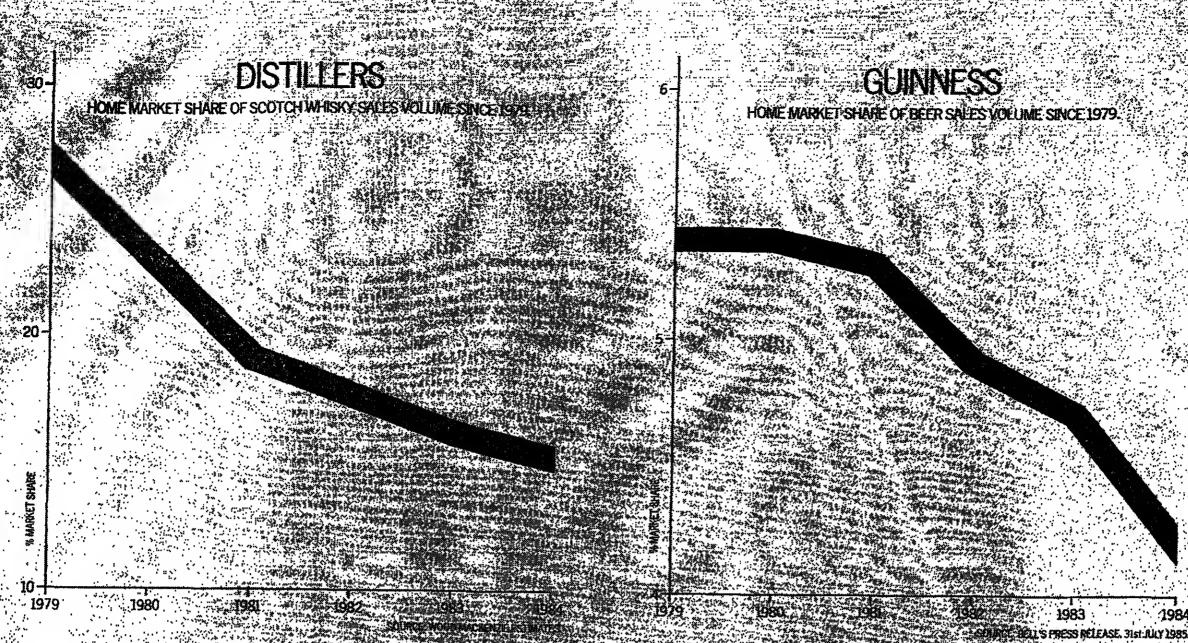
significant element. The new funds, together with the huge capital flow they will gen-erate, are to be controlled by the unions. The largest exist-ing scheme, the Common-

wealth Public Service Superanguation Fund, will be handed over to the ACTU. This will give the unions

Australia's economy than ever before. There are those who maintain darkly that it will mean considerably more that the country is drifting into a system with immense implications without having had the time to consider it. There remains one major ubstacle to the compact. The

nbstacle to the compact. The 3 per cent payment is predicated on an award yet to be made by the Arbitration Commission. Judgment on the ACTU claim, which is based on increased productivity, is expected in April, and the commission's reputation as a rubber-stamp agency is not born out by its record.





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### **SPECTRUM**

# A lesson from the fast lane

Britain's three-year trial of the compulsory wearing of front seat belts in cars and vans ends today. Parliament made the law permanent this month, amid speculation that the experiment had proved good for motorists but bad for cyclists and

pedestrians. William Greaves reports

Driving a motor car is something which most other people do badly. We are captains at the bridge, mentally encased in gold bridge, mentally encased in good hraid, surrounded by un-predictability. In the league table of confessional conversation-stoppers "Actually, I'm a bad driver" rates somewhere along side "Afraid I'm impotent these days" and "Truth to tell, I'm oot much good at my job".

Yet in the last 10 years, 61,000 people bave been killed on British roads and two-and-a-half millioo injured. Allowing the motoring dictum that "there is no such thing as an accident, only a mistake", a terrifying oumber of "other" drivers are oo

### **Motorists** just ignore motorway speed warnings

Pottering down to the shops on a Saturday morning or nipping along for a business meeting, it seems easier to believe we are at the controls of a modern coovenience – rather like a dishwasher or a hi-fi music centre - than a potentially lethal piece of machinery. Are we sinners, or merely sinned against? Is the car driver or motorcyclist of 1986 a sober, opright and responsible citizen battling against outrageous fortune, or a Jekyll-turned-Hyde monster the moment he exchanges legs for wheels?

Is Loodon, for instance, becoming more or less like a 50p dodgem ride played for real? Are Britain's motorways the safety-first express arteries their planoers intended, or the amateur race circuits their critics feared? As a fly in the passenger seat of an unmarked police car, I first explored the motorway.

PC Peter Elliott, 13 years with Surrey police traffic department, cased his white Ford Granada out on to the M25 at the Godstone junction. His com-

"That Volvo in front of us is going to have to pull out into the middle lane io front of us. there he goes no signal and at least half a mile behind us there's a car beetling up the middle lane...nothing else in sight of him...by hogging the middle lane he is effectively reducing a threecarriageway road to a single

So whatever happened to the theory (or I thought it was a theory) of a slow lane, cruising lane and an overtaking lane? "A myth. It was always a myth. Unless you are approaching an intersection you should stick to the inside lane, however fast you are going, until you need to pull

It was 10.15am, the chaotic rush hour on Londoo's orbital motorway had subsided into a steady stream of mid-morning traffic and I, a driver these last 27 years, had just had misconceptioo number one exposed.

A car pulled off the hard houlder. "Now that was dangerous. What he should have done was to build up speed on the hard shoulder before slipping into the traffic. A lot of motorists have oo idea how quickly a car travelling at 70mph closes oo another which is near stationary. He was lucky to get away without being rammed up the back. And here come our first speeders. A motorcycle and a car coming past us at at least 85mph, far too close together. The car driver thinks that because he can see beyood the motorbike there's no danger in crowding him. All it oeeds is for that motorbike to do something unpredictable and the car would be into him."

A red estate car swept past in the fast lane, cut straight across all three lanes and nipped off down the A3 exit. "He got away with it, but that was bad. All it needed was for one vehicle to block his exit and he would have decisioo whether to overshoot or force his way through. A potential accident situation if ever there was one."

It began to rain and, one by one, every car around us switched oo headlights. "Good, very good. That's one message





On the road: Motorway driving (top) and a typical traffic snarl-up in central London

we do seem to have got across."

A Jaguar XJS swept past. Peter
Elliott put his foot down. Soon we were doing 120mph and still making little impressioo oo the flying Jaguar.

That car is built for that sort of speed, but is its driver? He's got a 50mph closing speed on just about everything around him. A split second's lapse of concentration and that would be curtains. Far, far too fast."

Peter Elliott arranged for automatic matrix systems to flash up a 50mph limit. We waited for two minutes oo the hard shoulder, Not one car slowed."I'm. afraid I could have told you that would happen. It's a psychological fact that no molorist takes any ootice of a speed warning unless he can see the reasoo for it. That's why an unexpected patch of fog can cause such

In 40 minutes oo the motorway I had 18 examples in my dangerous driving. "On the whole, lane discipline has been good - they've been behaving pretty well this morning", was the Elliott verdict.

Before setting out in central Londoo with PC John Carroli 17 years a police driver in the

capital. Chief Superintendent but now he wants to go right the Eric Hyatt, commander of the way round and he's using his Eric Hyatt, commander of the Metropolittan Police Traffic Patrol, set down what he referred to as the "laws of the jungle".

"What we have to accept is that if all motorists stuck rigidly to the rules which pertain everywhere else, London would simply not operate in the rush hour at all. But there is a frighteningly thin line between playing the percentages and cutting corners oo the one hand, and causing accidents and chaos on the other.

'An increased number of accidents involving cyclists and pedestrians in the last two years an area of worry, but quite honestly there is no evidence to prove that driving standards are getting worse."

First to Hyde Park Corner with John Carroll at the wheel." If three or four cars don't go through these lights on red it will be the first time in my experience. There they go - one, two, three, four, FIVE. The three-second all-red interval is there for safety, but they know they will probably get away with it. Look at that taxi slashing its way across the traffic. He knows, you see, that the quickest way to the

vehicle as a battering ram,

### Frustration causes accidents everyone is in a hurry

Now here's a little van tearing up the nearside and barging in to turn right at the lights. He's got away with it. If someooe had driven into him rather than give way that would be a tailback half-way to Piccadilly Circus in a matter of seconds..." We had been there for less than half a mioute.

En route to Scotch Corner, Knightsbridge. "Now we're on a one-way street but that car in froot is waiting to turn right from the left-hand lane. He's stopping anyone behind filtering through left. That's all it needs for a holdup. This Mercedes parked alongside a bollard - anything bigger than a van couldn't fit through. roundabout is on the nearside That'll cause trouble. Cyclist

straight through the lights oo red. Thinks they don't apply to him. He'll end up getting hurt. Another cyclist riding between two lanes of traffic. I did that once oo a police motor hike and got sandwiched. It can happen to a second and it's terrifying when it does.

"Now then, box junction and three cars stuck on it as the lights change. Nothing can get across the other way. Total stalemate— just because they wanted to beat the first lights. That estate car wants to turn right ioto Knightsbridge, knows full well it can't so he's doing a U-turn straight across Sloane Street. That's fixed him, he's stuck broadside across the traffic. Just look at the cars piling up. It's selfish - and it's brought everybody else to a stop. Van with a ladder sticking out on top, straight out into Lyall Street, knows we'll stop for him, lucky

"It's really all down to frustrato make up time. People from outside London are lost because the direction signs are so inadequate. And people from inside Londoo know the police are so undermanned that they will probably get away with anything. It doesn't take much to stop central London."

### HISTORY

1902: Frenchman G. Leveau publishes world's first patent for "seat belts"
1920: "Sutton" harness for

airmen instituted as standard
fitment for aircraft - also used
by racing drivers at Brooklands.
1950-59: Various belt patents
culminate in the three-point running
lock, the basis of today's

designs. 1962: Saab and Volvo among first imported cars to have seat beits as standard fittings. 1965: Seat beits had to be fitted underBritish law to cars and vans

1971: Australian state of Victoria becomes first territory in the world to make the wearing of seat belts obligatory by law. Whole of Australia and New Whole of Australia and New Zealand follow suit in 1972. 1975: Computsory seat-belt wearing introduced in Sweden, Finland, Brazil, Poland, Spain and Czechoslovakia. 1980: Twenty-three countries now insist on wearing of seat beits for driver and front-seat passenger. Despite four attempts in Parliament (1973, 74, 77 and 79), UK is only EEC country not to

1983: Three-year experimental period for compulsory wearing of front seat belts begins February

1966: January 13 - Partiament anticipates end of experimental period (Jan 31) and votes to make obligatory front seat belt

willbecome legal requirement on April 1 next year on all cars first registered on or after October 1, 1966.

### WITHE FACTS

If the 61,000 people killed and 2,500,000 people injured on British roads in the last 10 years were laid end to end, they would stretch over 3,000 miles - twice the length of the British motor-

way system.

Shocking as this might be, two
other facts paint a less grim
picture. France, Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Portugal and Yugoslavia all have more than twice as many road deaths per million population than Britain. And as more new drivers took to the roads in Britain in 1941 it took only 2.5 million vehicles to kill 9,169 people - compared with 20 million vehicles and "only" 5,500 a year dead today.

As far as the seat belt experiment is concerned, the statistics during the first two years appear to produce strong, if not spectacular, proof of the value of front seat belts. The number of front-seat occupants to suffer fatal or serious injury has dropped by about 7,000 a year (including about 470 deaths) but, at 4,587, the number of rearseat passengers to be seriously injured in 1984 was at least 200 higher than in any of the previous

six years,
Disquietingly, during the same two years more than 1,500 more pedestrians, and cyclists were killed or seriously hurt than in similar previous periods. The Department of Transport, however, believes that when the vehicles not covered by the seatbelt regulations (heavy lorries. coaches and buses, for instance) is discounted ,"it cannot be concluded these increases were associated with compulsory seat belt wearing"... (Additional research by Dr

play. "I thought it would be boring", she said simply. But, having seen Mr Godber's Up N' Under, she remarked: "It

was good because it was

realistic." — With his five-year back-ground as a drama teacher in

his old secondary school, and a playwriting history that goes back to his first attempt

at the age of 16 - - John Godber (he is now 29) has a

deeply rooted belief in live

He has also proved himself

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# Playwright who throws his weight around

John Godber's new play about Karen

Briggs, the world judo champion from Hull, pulls no

> punches award-winning play-

wright John Godber stands six feet two inches tall, weighs in at 17 stone and remains hugely frustrated by the fact that his powerlifting career included one 296 pound bench press: "Just four short of the magic 300", he said, and the memory still makes him clench his fists. The sheer physicality of his mining town background he retains so prominently, goes some way to explain why he has written two plays about rugby league — including *Up N' Under* which won the
Laurence Olivier Award and one on night club

So it is vaguely puzzling that his latest play has been inspired by a comparative slip of a girl who stands under five feet and weighs just seven and a half stone. Until, that is, one discovers

two facts.

The first is that the girl is none other than Karen Briggs, Britaio's world bantamweight judo champion who, in an indisputable manner, makes up with skill and speed what she lacks in built.

And the second is that she lives in Hull — John Godber's home for the past two years since he has been the artistic director of the Hull Trucking Theatre Com-pany, one of Britain's most enterprising touring theatre



Fighting talk: John Godber and Karen Briggs during rehearsals in Hull

rugby league which is the biggest sport in Hull, I wanted to do a play on the biggest individual, and there is no question that, with two world titles under her belt, Karen Briggs is a bit special", says Godber, swamping a theatre seat during rehearsals and glugging Lucozade from the bottle.

He went for an initial chat with Karen at her home in Bransholme, Europe's largest housing estate, where 50,000 people live cheek by jowl.

"I was very impressed. I like enjoying myself — I am the kind of person who would have a curry at 11.30 at night if I felt like it. But for Karen, judo was a complete life attitude — she was very singleminded and very stoical. And that is what you would expect from someone

That was in September. Four months later, after hours of reading judo books, watching videos of Karen's top competitions, more talks; and even personal experience on the judo mat with Karen's "Having done two plays on Dan, he started to write. instructor, Mike Joyce, First

The result is Blood Sweat and Tears, which is pre-miered in Hull's Spring Street Theatre next Tuesday. It will then tour Milton Keynes and York before coming to London's Tricycle Theatre, Kilburn, for a month. It is also the subject of a South Bank Show documentary and will eventually be filmed by BBC television as a Play for Today.

> The set of Blood, Sweat and Tears is a dojo

Preparation for the first night has been arduous for Godber believes firmly in showing the action, full

So the set of Blood, Sweat and Tears is a dojo, with a real judo mat; and the leading actors have spent as much time in Karen's own dojo, Kingston Judo Club, as in the rehearsal rooms. And that goes for John Godber

saw a dojo, that he had a naturally theatrical milieu.

mat down, light it with stark white lights, and you've got something exciting." In a way, that was the easiest part. without too much of a tussle. "From talking to Karen, and people who know her, it was obvious she was going to the top from the beginning." Yet he wanted to convey Karen not so much in terms of her gold medals or world titles, but more in terms of her determination to pursue a

specific goal.

The play's heroine is Louise Underwood, a 19 year old who works in a Hull restaurant and becomes Euro-pean middleweight judo champion. It is a tale of the road to black belt, the change from being giggly and socially feminine — "What, lay on the floor with all those men?" -to coping with some un-

It meant the cast becoming proficient in judo, but particularly Jane Clifford, who plays Louise, for she had

pleasant rivalry

Miss Briggs was unable to coach the actors herself as planned, because of injury.

"When John first came to world.

Briggs feels — even though Spring Street Theatre was just four miles away, she had never thought of going to an ever thought of going to be a supply of the strength of th see me he even asked me if I

would be interested in acting would be interested in acting in the play, though I admitted I had never been to the theatre", said Karen, who is 22. "It wasn't possible because I was still competing, but I did want to help them with the judo, and to give them an idea of what it is like to fight."

This is very important for Godber, for he feels that realism is crucial. From where I come from - Upton

nobody would think of going to the theatre.

But the word drama comes from the Greek Dramanon, which means 'the thing done'. It is to do with action, and I want to put

"I want to change the view of ordinary people that the theatre is a big black box with a red curtain which

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### FRIDAY PAGE

A disciplinary hearing begins on Monday into the case of a London obstetrician

# Savage's fight for her future

August 1983 Susan Payne's aughter Lorraine was delivered Mile End Hospital by caesarn after an 18-hour labour. "Believe me if I had thought here was anything wrong with way Wendy Savage handled the hirth I certainly wouldn't have had her for the next baby Stephen, born in December 1984

or allowed myself to be booked with her for the baby I'm rapecting in July," said Mrs rayne at her two- bedroomed rancil flat in the East End this

Mrs Payne, 28, was angry when ne found that the notes on rraine's birth were being used. If they had asked me I'd never ave agreed. I knew well in dvance that the baby was a breech and that there was a ossibilty of a caesarian.

"I am 6 foot tall - with, as they say, good child- bearing hips and there was no reason not to try to give birth to her normally; X-rays were done at 36 weeks to make sure my pelvis wasn't too

"I went into labour at 2am and nto the hospital early because of the position of the baby. Every-thing was going along lovely - she was ready to be delivered at 8am out she simply didn't want to come down; she was comfortable

They gave me an epidural at and at 12 my waters broke. then the contractions just topped. At 5pm they put up a lrip to induce her but by 7 still nothing was happening so they decided to do the caesarian.

"I have never fell any sense of complaint against Wendy Savage. She did the caesarian herself and handed the baby to her dad - and a prouder dad you never did see.

They are inseparable.

They are inseparable.

The thing about Mrs Savage is that she doesn't automatically pigeon hole you 'breech'. I tell you when I heard she was being accused and that my baby's birth was being used against her I just left the children and went out into the kitchen and had a good swear - even my husband said 'It can't be possible'."

However less than 2 miles way in Bow there was a different story told by a 37-year-old divorcee whose daughter was 15 and still at school when she

"My daughter, call her Jackie, does not want to be identified because she'd lose her joh if they knew she had a baby. I was disgusted by the way we were treated by Mrs Savage.
"She was very abrupt from the

beginning when we went to her clinic for an abortion. It was up to her and she took one look at me and seemed to think 'oh she's

young enough to cope with a schoolgirl and her baby'.

"Jackie is 4ft 10in and I'd have thought anyone looking at her would have thought she'd have had to have a caesarian. We all put our trust in Mrs Savage who said she would be there at the birth. But when it came to it she wasn't, she was at the end of a telephone telling the mid-wife what to do.

"Jackie was in labour for 24 hours and in the end had to have a caesarian. The baby was hig and he had fractures of the skull when he was born. He is now 16 months and perfectly healthy. Yes, I'm landed with him - its just like having another one to look after but we manage quite well. We share."

Denise Lewis in Poplar, also in the East End, had breech twins, Sebastian and Sacha, by caesarian which was performed with both Savage and her chief clinical opponent professor Geddes Grudzinskas present.

"I was taken in with preeclampsia. I am rhesus negative and had to have a blood transfusion. I had high blood pressure which got worse during labour and both of them decided it was time to do a caesarian. I didn't agree and asked to be left alone but they said it was getting a bit iffy. Neither twin suffered any ill effect - one was 5lb 1602 and the other 6lb loz. I can't see how or why Mrs Savage can be thought to be incompetent. I was really shocked to find my case was being used. No one ever asked me if I had a complaint." Linda Ganderson's story is

touched with tragedy. "I decided to have shared care with my GP and Mrs Savage during the pregnancy and everything was really good. On Good Friday 1984 I started to bleed at 81/2 months and went to hospital The doctors listened to the heart beat and the baby and said it was the best they had heard all day. They put me to bed and came around to check the baby's heart

every four or five hours. On

MEDICAL BRIEFING SPECIAL

On Monday perhaps the most extraordinary disciplinary tribunal the health service has ever seen opens in London. Mrs Wendy Savage, a connsitant obstetrician at the London Hospital, will face allegations of professional incompetence, based on her handling of five cases of child birth dating back to 1983.

The whole inquiry, including Mrs Savage's suspension on full pay since last April, will cost Tower Hamlets Health Authority, which this year had to make savings of £800,000 on its budget, in excess of £100,000. Unusually, much of the inquiry is likely to be held in public.

The issues raised have gone tar beyond the competence or otherwise of one individual consultant, but have provided a focus for the schoolgirl - was critical.

continuing debate between those who believe that child birth should be as natural as possible, with the woman having the right to choose the way her child is born, and those who favour more intervention in child birth in the interests of the baby.

Only one of the five births has been the subject of a complaint, that of Asma Udin, who lost her baby son within days of him being delivered by caesarian section by Savage.

The Times spoke to three other mothers whose case notes form the basis of evidence to the official inquiry even though none feels any cause for complaint about the way their pregnancies and births were handled. Only the grandmother of the fifth baby - born to a 15-year-old

Saturday afternoon, it was about 5 O'clock, they came back to check and there was nothing. He just died inside me." Mrs Savage was away at a conference at the time Linda lost her first baby:"she had nothing to do with it at all."

Linda now has another haby, Paul, who is 51/2 months old.Once

again she chose to beunder the care of Savage, and this time, because of the loss of her first child she was scanned every two weeks. When it was noticed that the fetus was not putting on enough weight she was brought on early.

"At the time I lost the baby I

didn't really feel anything but now I have a baby who is healthy and well I feel worse about it than ever I did before. When I hold him now I know the meaning of loss. It makes you feel more bitter knowing the life

Alison Miller



Wendy Savage: Battling for her future





Linda Ganderson: I know the meaning of loss

Despite progress,

childbirth is still raising questions.

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

explains... Obstetric forceps were designed n Britain in the 17th century by ter Chamberlen, and popu-rized by his son, Hugh Their ivention defeated natural selecion, so that women who had had roblems with delivery survived o have daughters who in their um would suffer similar trou-

Despite three centuries of medical intervention, it is estimated that 90 per cent of women would survive natural childbirth, although possibly not in very good shape, and 75 per cent can be safely delivered without medical interference; obstetricians fight to save the lives of the remaining 25 per cent of mothers and babies.

Those familiar with childbirth in primitive conditions like to remember the case with which an

argricultural worker goes to the edge of a field and has her baby readily as if she were a lambing ewe, but they are also well aware that in the poorer countries up to twice as many pregnant women are likely to die as in affluent countries.

Even the coocept of painless labour in primitive countries is inaccurate. Although women may recover quicker from a normal delivery, the discomfort seems comparable; pain is associated with complications and, as these abound where antenatal care is poor, unbearable pain in

childbearing is more frequent. Since such a large majority of women labour successfully and have a normal delivery, policy can never be dictated by the experience of a few. Instead, much wider surveys are oceded to compare different methods of delivery in order to determine the safest methods. Progress is being made; in Britain in 1952 the perinatal mortality (stillbirth or death in the first week) was 37 per thousand; in 1978 it had dropped to 15 per thousand. Compared to 1952, the death rate

in women has dropped by 80 per

There is a price to pay for the increased safety of childbearing a greater reliance on operative delivery, forceps, vacuum extractors and caesarean section. In 1963 the caesarean section rate was 4.6 per thousand, in 1978 7.5 per thousand; the 1963 forceps rate of 8.1 per cent had risen by 1978 to 13.1 per cent. More recent national figures are not yet available, but one of Liverpool's large, inner-city hospitals practising high standards of care in deprived social surroundings has a forceps rate of 15 per cent and a caesarean rate of 10 per cent. Research workers find it hard

to evaluate small random trials in obstetrics. Circumstances vary so markedly that it would be misleading to draw conclusions from a small sample, which would in any case be unlikely to be random as patients tend to select a hospital or obstetrician which they feel will suit needs.In addition, general practitioners do their best to direct a nationt to a suitable obstetrician. Most doctors find it impossible

to justify the notion which occepts that a certain number of

babies can be sacrificed in order that the majority of women may be given a happier, possibly home, delivery. Their concern is not only to procure the maximum number of live babies, but to make certain that their condition at delivery will give them the best opportunity for a fit, mental and physical, life. Delivery at home has the advantage in that the infectioo rate is dramatically reduced, but trials which have minimized

BIRTH RIGHTS

in first class practices.

other hazards have tended to be

carried out by keen GPs working

Why and when does a weman have to have an episiotomy? When the soft tissue, the perineum, is delaying delivery to the detriment of the mother and the baby, it is customary to make a surgical incision to enlarge the opening. In Britain this is made at an angle, the mediolateral. In America and on the Continent a midline incision is usually used, but this has the disadvantage that any extension will tear into the rectum. The operation has been criticized recently by people who

have no memory of the prolapses and other gynaecological complications which followed extensive stretching and tearing; it used to be said that obstetricians saved the letter, but destroyed the envelope. If an episiotomy can save a rectal tear it is worth exchanging a possible few weeks of discomfort for what can be a lifetime of anal incompetence.

How long should my labour last? Medically speaking time is irrelevant so long as there is progress, always supposing that that the mother and baby remain in good health. This is why surveillance is so important.

Doctors realize that the limitation of movement which is inevitable with most monitoring devices is trying, but argue that the older regime of listening to the baby's heart for 60 seconds every 15 minutes only gives cover for 8 per cent of the time

in which the baby will be making the most hazardous journey of its life. The great majority of labours last for under 12 hours, but it is impossible to make a hard and fast rule. Some mothers and their babies will be showing serious will continue to make slow progress and remain in perfect health for much longer.

Will the forceps damage the baby?

No. Most forceps deliveries are what are colloquially known as a lift-out. The baby's head is very low and can be felt clearly: slipping the forceps around the skull will save it from damage and will enable the doctor to shorten labour. Mid-cavity forceps are used when the baby's head has to be turned before it is delivered. Training in forceps use

today is well supervised. Will my baby be induced to enable my doctor to keep his gelf

No. Induction for the social convenience of the obstetrician is considered an unforgiveable sin. Occasionally if the mother re-

quests ioduction and has good reasons to support her plea ooe may be organized, but only if she understands everything it entails.

When there are other indications for inductions it may well be that labour will be started to now for delivery during "office hours" for safety's sake. It is much safer to have a baby wheo the laboratory staff are on hand for blood transfusious, when there is a full complement of anaesthetists and when the whole obstetric team is in the hospital.

Will I be induced if I go over

my dates? In the past it has been difficult to judge dates. Now a decision as to maturity is taken after considering three factors: the first day of the last menstrual period, the examination findings of an experienced doctor about the third month of pregnancy and the ultrasound results recorded at the 16th week. Taken in combination these findings give a 90 per cent accuracy. Most units will induce round about the 41st

# Resistance born from the death of a constitution

A remarkable group of white women are fighting for black rights in South Africa

When Molly Blackhurn, the white upper middle-class wife Port Elizabeth doctor. was buried early this month. some 20,000 blacks turned out for the funeral. This display of black affection so unneved the South African authorities that they banned the memorial service that was a have been held a week hat it posed a danger to public peace.

Blickburn was a member

of a emarkable organization of dule women, the Black Sashi which has just celebrated its 30th anniversary. It has abbahly done more than any other liberal group to persude hlacks that whites can a friends rather than foes and 10 prevent black nationalism from becoming viruleatly anti-white.

In her mid-50s at the time of her death, Blackburn was killed in a car accident at the turn of the year. After bringing up seven children, she could easily have settled class and skin colour quali- League. fied her. She looked the part, usually dressed in an elegant coined the name Black Sash white blouse and skirt, a a reference to their method of string of pearls at her neck. protest: standing in silent it was quite another to expect

Instead, about four years ago, she joined the Black Sash, and spent most of her time in places where few whites go: the dusty streets of black townships, haunting police stations in tireless pursuit of allegations of police harassment and brutality, or listening patiently to the stream of blacks who daily bring their problems over housing, money, jobs or the "pass laws" to the Black

Sash's dingy advice office in Port Elizabeth. The Black Sash was started in 1955 when a group of white women organized pro-tests against the National Party's gerrymandering of the constitution for the purpose of removing the mixed-race "coloureds" from the common voters' rall.

She sacrificed her white privilege

Those involved were mainly English-speaking members of women's branches of General Jan Smuts's United Party, which had been defeated by the Nationalists in 1948 and had Nationalists in 1948 and had fallen into fractious disarray. Fed up with the dithering of their menfolk, they took matters into their own hands for the comfortable, privi-leged lifestyle for which her Defence of the Constitution

It was the press which



Sheena Duncan: Sash president

reproach in public places, carrying placards and wearing white dresses with broad black sashes slung diagonally from the right shoulder as symbols of their mourning for the murder of the constitution. The name stuck and was later adopted as the official one

By 1956 the constitutional issue which had given birth to the Black Sash had been fought and lost. Instead of disbanding, the leaders de-cided to broaden their cam-paign to defend civil rights, those of South Africa's deprived and disenfranchized black majority in particular. The decision soon exposed the narrowness of South African liberalism. It was one



them to campaign for equal citizenship with blacks. "Membership slumped in a

break up any dinner party in 10 minutes flat". thing for middle-class ladies of English background to be

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few weeks from 10,000 to about 2,000", Jean Sinclair, one of the six founder members of the organization and now in her 70s, recalls. We were ostracised socially, and all but a handful of our best friends dropped us. When we were invited out, it was usually a disaster. Sheena and I could be relied on to

Sheena is Sheena Duncan, Jean Sinclair's daughter, who is just coming to the end of her second term as national president of the Black Sash, which she joined in 1963. A robustly built no-nousense woman in her early 50s, she offices. Duncan believes that

activities. (Until the practice astonishingly ignorant".
was prohibited, its members Through the Transvall Ruwas prohibited, its members used to hold vigils in the public gallery of the House of Assembly in Cape Town, earning a famous rebuke from a National Party whip who told them: "You ladies must not come to Parliament to propagate").
Since 1976 all outdoor

gatherings have been banned, and for at least 15 years, the Black Sash's most important work has been done in its advice offices, of which there are now seven. The biggest is in Johannesburg, with others in Pretoria, Cape Town, Port Elizabeth, Durban, Pietermaritzburg and Grahams-

They had enough of dithering men

In these shabby offices, Sash members, of whom there are about 2,000, try to help blacks find a way through the Kafkaesque web of regulations that enmesh almost every aspect of their

In 1984 more than 26,000 individual interviews were conducted in the advice of English background to be asked to protest against the unconstitutional machina- and condescending do-gooder as could be imagined. Picketing and public pro- a black in South Africa, a

testers are now only a small subject of which the vast part of the Black Sash's majority of whites are still

ral Action Committee, which it set up several years ago, the Black Sash also monitors the forced resettlement of black communities. Its relentless visilance has brought many cases of such resettlement to the attention of the local and foreign press,

In recent years, the Sash's financial problems have been greatly eased by a contract with America's Ford Founda-tion under which the foundation funds the advice offices and receives research ma-terial and reports on con-ditions in South African in exchange

What keeps the Black Sash women going? They know that their ability to influence the Government is marginal and that whatever political system eventually replaces white rule is unlikely to have much time for their liberal concern with individual rights.

It is important to have a

body of people upholding certain values that will al-ways be needed, who will go on saying that something is wrong", Duncan says.

Perhaps the best, and simplest, summary of the Black Sash's credo was given by Molly Blackburn. Asked once what motivated her, she replied: "I don't like bullies".

Michael Hornsby The state of the s



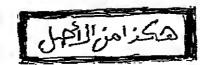
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### THE TIMES **DIARY**

### Promises, promises

Yorkshire Television's recent First Tuesday documentary about Crown immunity curiously omitted a key interview with Lord Shawcross. As attorney general under Attlee, Shawcross introduced the Crown Proceedings Bill which apparently guaranteed that servicemen injured on duty and forbidden to sue the Crown would be recompensed through pensions. YTV pointed out that Shawcross had promised in 1947 that such pensions would in general equal "the probable damages which may be recover-able in law" but felt that the pledge had been ratted upon. In a long interview, Shawcross denied that he had given any assurance as regards the future but said that today's pensions could not keep pace with court awards because of the "generosities of juries at the expense of insurance companies". Since juries have not decided damages in these not decided damages in these cases for 20 years, an astonished YTV decided to scrap the whole sequence. But what ol Shawcross's fee, raised at his insistence from £50 to £100? YTV says it takes its promises rather more seriously than governments and the charges is in the ernments and the cheque is in the post. "What I said didn't fit into

### Coat of arms

Wherever Prince Charles goes, he can smell the fresh smell of paint. Yesterday, during a visit by him to the BBC's Kensington House offices, the smell could not have been too intense: the Beeb had only painted the corridors as far as the regal eye will see. It's enough to make you anti-royalist." said our informant. The real rub was that the bar was being closed early...in the interests of security.

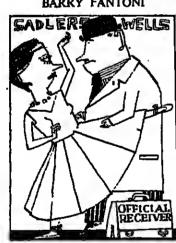
their case." Shawcross told me yesterday. "I certainly wouldn't have done the thing for £50."

### Wax lyrical

Mrs Thatcher is the most popular political figure — beating even Sir Winston Churchill — in Madame Tussaud's latest poll. It shouldn't go to her head, bowever; she comes second to Hitler in the Hate and Fear section.

Sleeping partner
John Hume, the SDLP MP from
Northern Ireland, fell askeep
during Neil Kinnock's lengthy
peroration about the Westland leak, and his head came gently to rest on the shoulder of Seamus Mallon, his colleague and the province's newest MP. "I know you wanted some support in the House, John," murmured Mallon,"but I didn't that this was what you meant"

BARRY FANTONI



### Burning issue

North London's top policeman. Deputy Assistant Commissioner Mike Richards, still insists that the lakes of petrol at Broadwater Farm actually existed as a fire trap for policemen during the riot. He has written an angry letter to Police Review insisting that "a brave police constable saw plastic bags filled with petrol being lobbed towards police lines." Maybe he did, but the police lines were 100 yards away from the estate — nowhere near the garages where the lakes are supposed to have been. One senior police officer who discounts the lakes story is Chief Superintendent David Williams, the man in charge of the team which has prepared a still secret but highly critical report on police operations. Last week Williams inld the Enfield Gazette that any petrol on the ground could have come from the ruptured petrol tank of an-overturned car. He said: "There is bound to be spillage when you are syphoning from car tanks. They were using very small bottles to make bombs and you would get as much petrol on the floor as in the bottle." Richards will not be pleased at that.

### Homesewn

Talk about the rich tapestry of life. Visitors to the V & A can now pay their £2 vuluntary charge not just to see an embraidered Napolenn and Queen Victoria in the newly opened exhibition "Characters in Chith" but also an embroidered V &A director, the bespectacled V & Dev Steppe Englanded the Sir Roy Strong, Fortunately, the masterpiece will not be subjected to any export licence: it was commissioned by the museum and will remain in its permanent

# Schools: how everyone suffers

Dew Parent

I write to you more distressed about the state of education than at any time in my years at the school.

I approached the start of this term with considerable anxiety. What I find so demoralizing is the apparent indifference of those involved in negotiations, in particular the Secretary of State, to the need to talk urgently and persistently until a solution is found to the dispute. There is no doubt in my mind that teachers are poorly paid, particularly if I am to recruit the quality of teacher whom you and I would wish to see at the

school. Teachers vary in how they try to present their case and I have no desire to dentify for you differences of approach between the teachers' associations. There is enormous frustration among teachers that no one appears to be listening. Their

dilemma is impossible. On the one hand, they wish to take action in order to draw everyone's attention to their case but, on the other, they are reluctant to harm the education of their pupils. It is a measure of the staff's professionalism that in an autumn term of greater industrial turmoil than I have ever experienced in my time at this school, the staff helped at least 28 boys to gain places at Oxford and Cambridge ations vary in their response to this. I

Cape Town When President Botha rises in

the South African parliament in Cape Town today to open the 1986 session and to set his

government's agenda for the year ahead, he will be doing so in an

international context that has

changed utterly over the past year

There will be a difference, as

usual, between the agenda and

the underlying aim of South Africa's rulers: the continued retention of political control in white, preferably Afrikaner, hands. What has changed is the

relation of this strategy to world

Although opinion outside South Africa has for a long time been vocally bostile, the country's leaders have been able

to shape their strategy with only

cosmetic concessions to foreign

opinion and have frequently

operated with grand disregard for

The reaction to the last one which generated anticipation on

this scale gave the Afrikaner

establishment a violent jolt. After

days of rumours that far-reaching

reforms were imminent, Botha delivered a speech to a party congress in Durban which con-

ceded nothing at all. In so many words, he lold the outside world

In the past he would have got

away with it - after the ritual ex-

pressions of outrage around the

globe. This time, the rand

plunged in value, and American bankers, led by Chase Man-hattan, called in their loans. Pretoria responded by closing

foreign and stock exchanges for

four days, bringing in currency

controls and suspending loan repayments. Both President Rea-

gan and Mrs Thatcher were

forced by new political pressures

There is therefore a good deal

riding on what Botha says today

in a speech which has been dubbed "Son of Rubicon"

back...", he said in his earlier

speech). Superficially, he is in a

stronger position than he was last

August. Then, unrest and vi-

olence in the black townships was

at its height; the world's tele-

vision screens, now censored,

were broadcasting nightly pic

tures of the carnage at a time

when there was not much

competing news. A state of emergency bad been declared.

Finally, there was the grossly

mismanaged build-up to the Durban speech. How this hap-

pened is still something of a

mystery. It was in part

attributable to an over-enthusias-

tic briefing of western officials in Vienna by Pik Botha, the South

African foreign minister, a week

Others say there was a last-

minute revolt by cabinet bardliners who threatened to

resign if some of the reforms

being discussed were not aban-

...We are today crossing the Rubicon; there can be no turning

to at least consider sanctions.

to go to hell.

This is not the first of Botha's speeches which has been eagerly awaited as a pointer to the future.

With the teachers' pay dispute still dragging on, Buckinghamshire headmaster John Loarridge sent this letter to all parents setting out its full effect

which is easily the highest total in our

history. The effects of the industrial dispute are, in some ways, obscured from you because 85 to 90 per cent of the boys come to school by coach or train and I cannot, therefore, readily send boys home. However, I think that I should report to you as I shall report to the governors on some of the effects of the

 Lunctime supervision. I have not closed the school at lunchtime because of my anxiety about releasing junior boys, unsupervised, into the town, but the present position is uncomfortable owing to the low level of supervision. Extra-curricular activities. Much of the extra-curricular activity in the lunch hour and after school has ceased. This is so sad in a school such as ours for it should be a significant part of any

scheme of education here. Cover for absent teachers. Associcover for absent colleagues; this, in turn, makes it difficult for me to release teachers for in-service training, examiners' meetings and educational

 Staff meetings. A whole cycle of staff meetings, heads-of-department meetings, sixth-form tutor meetings and year-tutor meetings, all of which are held after school, have ceased. These are important for the proper running of the school. Parents' evenings and school reports. These, as everyone knows, have been cancelled or critailed.

General Certificate of Secondary

Education. I am most anxious that the new examination is properly and effectively introduced. Unless the Secretary of State, the local authorities and the teachers' associations resolve their differences, the examination will founder.

I am immensely proud of the achievements of the boys and the staff of this school. Both have my wholehearted support and I very much hope they will have yours.

I plead for an early resolution to the

yours sincerely

John Loarridge is headmaster of Dr Challoner's Grammar School, a county secondary school in Amersham, Bucks.

Michael Hornsby on the likely tenor

of today's speech responding to the mounting demand for change

# Pressure on all sides — but will Botha crack?



doned. Still others say President Botha simply reacted in the timebonoured manner of Afrikaners under outside pressure and dug his heels in.

Whatever happened, the same mistake has not been made this time. High expectations of today's speech are being discouraged. The economic position is also somewhat improved. The pprice of gold, South Africa's main foreign exchange earner, has risen sharply in the last few weeks, and with it the value of the rand. Plentiful rains promise a good maize harvest, thus obviating the need to spend foreign currency on precious

The government, which went through a period of blind panic at the end of last year, seems to have recovered its nerve. A visiting delegation of US congressmen which met Botha this

month found him, in the words

of one, "very stubborn", and showing no signs of a man who felt the need to court the outside world's sympathy or goodwill. This is causing concern in the

business community, which fears that a repetition of the unyielding tone of the Durban speech could renew domestic unrest - it has shown some signs of waning, if only through sheer exhaustion and destroy the improving eco-nomic prospects. Their most immediate worry is a meeting of foreign creditor banks in London on February 20 at which Dr Fritz Leutwiler, a fomer governor of the Swiss Central Bank, will submit compromise proposals on the rescheduling of South Africa's

Leutwiler was appointed by Pretoria to act as mediator between the government and the foreign banks. Towards the end of last year, South Africa pro-posed delaying loan repayments until 1990, a suggestion turned

down flat by 30 or so main creditor banks in December. Earlier this month, Leutwier visited South Africa to discuss alternative schemes. The proposals he will table next month will represent his own attempt to Foreign bankers are under pressue from anti-apartheid lobbies in their own countries to

take a tough line. That pressure is bound to intensify if Botha makes another evasive speech with no clearcut commitments to abolishing racial segregation or moving towards power-sharing with blacks.

The speech will also be closely studied by members of the Commonwealth "Eminent Per-sons Group" (EPG), which is expected to visit South Africa some time in February or March. EPG's seven members include Malcolm Fraser, the former Australian prime minister, Lord Barber, the former British Conservative Chancellor, Dame Nita Barrow, president of the World Council of Churches, and General Olusegun Obasanjo, head of the Nigerian military government from 1976 to 1979. Its task is to report back to Commonwealth members by the end of June on the South African government's performance in meeting a number of objectives. These call on South Africa to

declare · that the ·system - ofaprtheid will be dismantled and to announce the steps to be taken to that end, to lift the state of emergency, to release Nelson Mandela, to lift the ban on the African National Congress and to initiate a process of dialogue across lines of colour, politics

If satisfactory progress is deemed not to have been made towards these goals, Common-wealth governments will meet to consider imposing new sanctions on South Africa. These could include a ban on air links, on the import of "cultural goods" and on contracts with companies which have majority Sonth African ownership. Sanctions would be voluntary, but the moral and diplomatic pressure on reluctant countries would be substantial.

On past experience, it seems unlikely that the Botha government will be much moved by these threats. The President's speech, although it will probably be presented and packaged more diplomatically than "Rubicon", seems likely to do little more than confirm reforms already promised or indicated in the area of the pass laws, black citizenship and property rights.

Little clarity is expected on the question of future political rights for blacks. Clear-cut reforms which could still make a big impression — such as the abolition of the Group Areas Act wbich segregates residential areas, schools and hospitals - has been ruled out in advance as non-negotiable once again.

Those abroad who have been prepared to give Botha the benefit of the doubt look likely to be disappointed again.

# sanctuaries After weeks of wavering and argument, the EEC foreign at last

David Watt

Sanctions and

agreed on Monday to a joint policy towards Colonel Gadaffi of Libya — except that it wasn't really united and they couldn't even say publicly that it was aimed at Gadaffi.

aimed at Gadaffi.

There is to be an arms embargo against "any country implicated in supporting terrorism", but Greece, supported by Italy and France, refused to allow a specific finger to be pointed at Libya. There is a promise not to take adventage of promise not to take advantage of other people's economic sanc-tions against terrorism, but again it is apparently not possible to state openly that the only "other people" in the case are the US or that the sanctions in question are against Gadaffi. The consequence of this piece of diplomatic finagling is that everyone is now permitted to make his own definition of terrorism and who

is implicated in supporting it.

In the light of this pathetic performance, you may say, the Americans are ntterly entitled to their violent expressions of disgust at the feebleness, cynicism, and greed of their European allies. But what do the Europeans observe when they turn to the other side of the Atlantic?

President Reagan thunders denunciations of Gadaffi as a "flaky barbarian", sets his whole machine to disseminating to every corner of the globe the most lurid and demonic picture of the Colonel that propaganda can devise, cuts off all economic links with Libya and sends an aircraft carrier to the Gulf of Sirte to brandish a big stick under Gadafti's nose. But the fact is that this is all fustian. The economic links are insignificant anyway. Trade is very small. As for American naval and air demonstrations off the Libyan coast, they represent a mild humiliation of Gadaffi, in that he obviously dare not try to prevent

them, but nothing more.

The conclusion to be drawn from all this is banal. In a highly interdependent world nobody, not even a superpower, has very much freedom of manoeuvre. The reason the Greeks do not want lo gang up on Gadaffi is less to do with commercial selfinterest than with the fact that Gadaffi is a Soviet client, while they themselves are on the borders of the Communist block and have had, since the Second

World War, a very strong Left.
The Italians have strong excolonial links with Libya; a quite
large Italian population is, in
effect, hostage there and the
Libyans have a substantial stake in Italian industry, including 13 per cent of Fiat. By the same loken, the reason the Americans dare not simply topple Gadaffi by a coup de main is that they would risk dangerous Soviet reactions and almost certain disaster in their relations with the rest of the Arab world

Il is this powerlessness, of ves the An cans mad. It is Castro and the Avatollah all over again. Here is the strongest nation on earth being deprived by a bad, halfmad, tinpot dictator and, god-dam it, why doesn't the President do something about it? The argument that President Assad of

Syria is barbouring and help far more terrorists than Gade ever did means virtually nothing in the US. What matters is a Gadaffi has set up as a public for a particularly virulent brain of Third World anti-Ams; canism.

reanism.

This difference of perception meeds much more careful his meeds foolish of Reagan had advertise the division hy sending John Whitehead, a deputy so retary of state, on a deliberate retary of state, on a deliberate publicised tour of the European capitals to make open demands capitals to make open demands which everyone knew in advance

would be refused. outd be refused. It was equally idiotic of the Europeans to promulgate an ER statement that might have bear deliberately designed to rub statement in the American wounds. The alliance is in poor condition if a statement either resolve or pare cannot either resolve or paper over its differences better that a

The underlying problem here is the perennial difficulty of reconciling American and Euroreconciling American and European views of the world. The Us is engaged in a geo-political struggle with the other superpower and we in Europe are staggroping, in the post-colonial engagoring, in the post-colonial engagoring in the post-colonial engagori minds about this, there is no reason why we should not look bit more coolly at the more limited question of terrorism which is equally a menace to Europe, to the US and &

everyone else.

Leaving aside the Utopian
"solution", which is to cure the injustices from which terrorism arises, it is pretty clear what the main options are. One must deny terrorists an easy sanctuary and one must at the same time improve one's own defences against their activities. It is extremely difficult to climinate all sanctuaries but it must be right to try to reduce them. But how? Neither Libya nor Syria can be forced to co-operate; they are a not like "nests" of Barbary corsairs which the European powers were eventually able to clean out by force but sovereign nations with powerful allies, notably the Soviet Linion. The truth is that unless the US is prepared to allow the Russians back into the Middle East game in order to secure their beneficent influence with their clients. nothing very radical on the sanctuary front will come forth.

The alternative strategy of improving joint intelligence and tightening security among poten-tial terrorist targets is often poolpoohed as a second best, but the fact is that in spite of past declarations and promises, it has barely begun in earnest. Any top policeman who has bad anything to do with it will bear witness in his franker moments to the thinness, not to say fatuity of in the past. If large amounts of money and co-ordinated political commitment can really now be poured in, far more may be achieved than by making evasive declarations in Brussels or by zooming up and down Libyat

# Moreover . . . Miles Kington

# Touchdown lowdown

When I was at school we played a game called rugby which in-volved a lot of running and passing the ball and scoring things called tries. When I watch television these days, I sometimes see men kicking the ball, kicking each other, blowing whistles and having things explained to them by the referee. This, for some strange reason that escapes me, is also called rugby, though it seems only distantly related to the game I

used to play.
Why, then, do I watch it? For the sheer pleasure of listening to the commentators. The artistry and flair may have gone from the game at international level but it is all still there in the rugby commentary. These fellows enthuse and rave, gasp and roar, as if something exciting was really going on out there. Watching the game is nothing but listening to it is terrific, such is their invention and imagination.

If it is a pleasure so far denied you, do watch the next rugby international and keep by you this check-list of commentators' phrases I have made, together with their real meaning

• Both sides know that a victory is absolutely vital." (This

is going to be o totally defensive 6 "The tackling on both sides is absolutely terrific." (There hasn't been o single good run yet).

They're really probing the defences." (So they have decided to kick instead).
The referee has brought the play back." (The referee saw someone running with the ball and decided he must have broken of low).

o low).

● "He was dispossessed." (He dropped the ball).

The commitment on both sides is terrific." (They're standing on each other's faces where we

can't see them).

That had the makings of a Tom Wicker | wonderful movement." (A player ran 10 yards and fell over.)

• "A try is definitely on here". (The stand-off is about to try !drop goal, and miss).

"What an exciting game this turning out to be!" (The score. are roughly level). o "Oh, my goodness me! Di you see that." (I didn't see the and I am about to look at t

again on video.) • "The referee must have set not very sure of the rules the days, and nor is the referee.

"While play has come us standstill, let's see again us glorious moment." (We use replay film of the play has come us standstill). replay film of the player runner.
It yards and falling over).

 Oh, that was a really wondful piece of artistry!

fullback has kicked the ball also. the ground into touch).

"He's heading for a place in the record books!" (He has kind another penalty goal).

another penalty strug.

"It's not perhaps a class game, but it's desperable exciting." (It's on incredity boring game ond the scores of still roughly level). The crowd is willing him prun with the ball." (He is going to kick the ball.)

kick the ball.)

That gives us another charter to see..." (Here comes that was running 10 yards and folling of again, but from a different was a 16-12 for out advantage." (I am reduced to reading out meaningless said tics.)

o "Nobody in the crowd is going to leave before the final while."

(It's too crowded to move!

"You could cut the reside with a knife." (I have no idea what I am saying any mode."

"It's a shame, in some mass that the only try came from the losing side." (What o farce it's all been!)

• Finally, before you with us..." (Yes, we're going to sure you that man running it was ond falling over again, it motion).

# The Bird that could ruffle Bradley

Los Angeles Tom Bradley, Democratic mayor of Los Angeles, who narrowly lost the race for the governorship of California to the Republicans in 1982, is expected to be his party's nominee again this year. An unusual problem faces Bradley, bowever, a man who if elected would be the first black in the governor's mansion. What can he and his party do about the most emotional issue in Californian politics - the well-financed drive to oust the chief justice from the state supreme court? Republicans and conservatives

are intent on removing from office Miss Rose Elizabeth Bird, who was appointed to her bigh judicial nffice by former governor Jerry Brown. The campaign against Bird has turned into a crusade for the death penalty one of the most passionately debated issues in modern Amer-

Capital punishment was outlawed in California in 1971 by a supreme court decision written by Donald Wright, who had been appointed the firstice by the thengovernor Ronald Reagan. But in 1977 it was reinstated when voters approved a special ballot initiative to change the

By then Jerry Brown, in one of bis most controversial acts, had named Bird to the court. Since she joined, it has overturned 52 of 55 death sentences passed to it for review from lower courts. Bird alone among the judges has voted to reverse every one of the 55. No one has been executed in California since 1967.

The anti-Bird forces, in-cluding the California DistrictAttorneys' Association accuse her and the court of systematically blocking execu-tions, thus of being soft on crime. This is a potent charge, since a poll last year found that 83 per cent of Californians favour the death penalty, with only 15 per cent opposed. Mervyn Field, the pollster, said this was an all-time high in support of the death sentence.

Supporters of Bird say she has led the court in discovering numerous deficiencies in the capital punishment law. Anthony Murray, a former president of the state bar association, describes the law on sentencing as "very badly written". He recently told a news conference that Bird was prepared to support the death sentence if a case reached the court in which the defendant had received a fair trial and problems with the law did not arise.

In any case, Bird's supporters believe the death penalty issue is a smokescreen to cover the motives of the anti-Bird campaign — to open ber seat to an appointee of the Republican governor, George Deukmejian, to move Californian courts in a more conservative direction and to make them more responsive to a rightwards-shifting public opin-

In his view, the courts are merely the latest point of attack from the "new right", and the death penalty is the easiet issue around which to rally support. The anti-Bird campaign does seem to dovetail with moves by the White House and the Department of Justice in Washington to move the federal judiciary to the right, through the

appointment of younger, more conservative lawyers who will sit on the bench for years to come.

The campaign to nust Bird has been well organized and long-planned; it has spent about \$2 million already and last year distributed some 4 million pieces of mail. Prominent among her opponents is state senator H.L. Richardson, one of the most conservative politicans in the state, and a contender in the November elections for the post

of lieutenant-governor.
As for Bradley, he supported Bird when she came up for confirmation by the electors in 1978 and was returned to her office with only 51.7 per cent of the vote. But to stand by ber this time, with a November poll recording only 35 per cent support for her, might endanger his own difficult race against the Republicans.

Democrats say the mayor is being urged to say he supports Bird's reconfirmation but would himself not have appointed her. Such equivocation, bowever, would be as bad or worse as outright abandonment of Bird: it would antagonise her supporters and give more ammunition to Deukmejian and the Republicans wbo say that Bradley "flip-flops"

Bradley has already expediently changed his opposition to tighter controls on the possession of hand guns — in 1982 he supported controls and may well have lost the guberoatorial election for that reason. This time around, no matter which way he umps, the Rose Bird issue could be the mayor's undoing.

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### NO ORDINARY COMMITTEE

The House of Commons select committee on defence wishes to interview some civil servants about their roles in the Westland drama, in particular their roles in the leak of the Solicitor General's letter. The Government does not want those civil servants to be interviewed. In the short history of the current select committee system this is not so untoward a disagreement. The definition of exactly who or what should be brought before a select committee is not yet set in stone. Over the years there has been give-and-take on both sides as the important task of strengthening the t' legislature's grip on the executive has continued its course.

But the current row goes far beyond the powers of select committees. It threatens the future of Mrs Thatcher's government and the continuation of the policies with which she is most identified and upon which she has won two elections. As she considers her next move, the Prime Minister must look carefully in the advice that she is getting and ask herself whether those giving it have the same interest at heart as she has.

It is easy to understand the arguments used by those who never want to see Miss Bowe. Mr Mogg, Mr Ingham or Mr Powell answering MPs' questions about the events of January 6th. They know that the Prime Minister's account is still incomplete, that she is still protecting her officials, and that any divergence between their version of the events and her own will have unpleasant consequnces for

all concerned. They say that the civil servants have already answered questions from an internal inquiry team and that subsequent grillings by the committee would constitute a double jeopardy. They say that she has won the political battle with Mr Kinnock, that her statement on Monday (on which so many great party minds were consulted) was a triumph of necessary evil over needless basis, the committee should self-sacrifice and that there at least have the opportunity

the line should be held. There are other arguments, however, which are not used openly by those advocating the current tactic. There are cabinet ministers, govern-ment whips and senior backbenchers who are very much enjoying the Prime Minister's post-Westland spirit of care and consultation. From consultation, they believe, will come not just a short period of consolidation but a banishing of Mrs Thatcher's more populist and radical instincts forever. In a perverse way, they maybe do not even mind too much if the affair of the leaked letter drags on a little longer, if Mrs Thatcher stays just a little weaker. The outcome that they are determined to avoid at all costs is the slightest risk of Mrs Thatcher coming a complete cropper and plung-

It is clear that if the Government does not allow the select committee on defence to interview the officials of its choice, this damaging episode in the Westland affair will, indeed, drag on. All the select committees are in potentially pricklish mood at present. The hostile preemptive reaction to the Lords committee on overseas trade last October has put them on their guard. Subsequent hints that the Government wished to curb their investigative excesses have kept them there.

ing them into an election that

they would lose.

As for the defence committee, its constitutional position is pretty strong. The relevant memorandum from the House of Commons clerk to the committee on procedure, incorporated in Erskine May, states that "there is no doubt that a committee could summon a named official if it so wished but to summon an individual civil servant against the wishes of the minister to whom he is responsible might lead to his being instructed by that minister not to answer a committee's questions in his official capacity". So, on that

to put questions to the officials even if the answers are no more officially forthcoming than those given by Mr Brittan and DTI permanent secretary, Sir Brian

Hayes, yesterday. But this is no ordinary select committee. This form of investigation was especially chosen by the Government when there was strong case for some much tougher inquiry into the facts of the Westland saga. The House passed the procedure by a large majority and Sir Hum-phrey Atkins, backed by some of the Commons' more tenacious parliamentarians. has stressed that he regards himself as "observing the wishes of the House".

This committee is not

going to be an easy act to beat. But the more it has to drag its evidence from unwilling witnesses and an unwilling administration the more the chance that a potentially unpleasant time for Mrs Thatcher will become an actual disaster for her policies. The misunderstandings, the resignations, the covers, the cover-ups, they all have to be put behind her. Before that happens, they have to be brought unequivocally out into the open. And they have to be seen to come out in the open. It will seem tiresome. It will seem boring - even probably to those asking the questions. It will be sometimes embarassing and sometimes worse. But it has to be

When it is done, the government can get back to work. The coming months are not likely to be the most courageous in the history of the Thatcher government but the guidelines can even now be prepared for the tasks that must follow. The Prime Minister ought not to allow herself to be worn down by prevarication and evasions. She ought not to be directed towards presenting herself at the next election as the "steady as we go" candidate. She has received a dent to her image. There remains the risk of a still deeper dent. But that risk is nothing to the danger. of allowing herself to be ground down into mediocrity.

### A NEW CHANCE FOR UGANDA

president. new Yoweri Museveni, has promand good government after the five years of civil war that have badly disfigured his country. So, one might add, has almost everyone else who has preceded him since independence more than 20 years ago. So too has the rest of the world accepted and, however briefly, believed them - even Idi Amin in 1971. But this time the display of international hope and confidence would seem to be more firmly based.

His swift asumption of control is welcome in itself, if only because it hrings to an end the period of bloodshed and anarchy in which Ugandans had more to fear from their own government troops than from anyone else. Not the least of Museveni's achievments so far, during ten years in the bush, is to have maintained a relatively tight discipline over his own soldiers in the National Liberation Army. That is another reason why his victory has been welcomed by the people of Kampala.

Britain has erred like everyone else in the past hy greeting each change of government in Uganda with misplaced hope and ill-

founded optimism. As the old mother country which had ised an era of peace stability, always been aware of its potential - the so-called "pearl of Africa" - Britain has felt a particular responsibility towards its people. Seven of the British military training team remain in the country and Major-General Anthony Pollard, temporarily attached to the British high commission in Nairobi, was in Kampala yesterday for talks with the new regime over further assistance of this kind. Sir Geoffrey Howe announced last month that Britain was prepared to make available up to £5m in overseas aid an offer which apparently still stands.

> Museveni therefore begins the job of restoring order and a clean, somewhat puritannical record - unsuffering arises from more

perhaps prosperity to Uganda amid much good will from Whitehall and elsewhere. He will need it. He personally has stained by the blood spilled by former regimes. But he inherits a country whose fundamental weaknesses than an unfortunate succession of corrupt or inadequate leaders. The country was founded on

what has been described as a

mosaic of competing tribal

interests, including four sepa-

rate powerful kingdoms and a

groupings. They have never been reconciled satisfactorily. There are the Bantu tribes of the South - from where

number of other lesser

Museveni himself comes and the Nilotic and Sudanic tribes of the North, home of his immediate predecessors. But the split in loyalties is more complicated than a simple North-South divide. There are rivalries between neighbouring tribes all over Uganda. Independence was granted in 1962 in an atmosphgere of promise and good will. But those who based their assumptions on the country's balmy climate and fertile soil should have paid more attention to the no less fertile potential for political mayhem.

President Museveni has started with all the right ideas. He is seeking a mixed economy, the end of tribal quarrels, friendly relations with other countries in Africa and elsewhere. A sceptic might point out that we have heard much of this before. But Uganda deserves another chance. Twenty years is a short time in African politics. Uganda retains the potential to become a larder for many of its more poorly endowed neighbours, and Museveni looks the best prospect yet to husband its resources.

### Future for gas

From Sir Hutchison, FRS Kenneth Sir, The article in your issue today (January 22) refers to the difficulty of control of a single monolithic structure in legislation proposed for a new gas industry. I believe that this difficulty could be avoided, or at least minimised, by a structure I proposed in a letter which appeared in your columns on December 22, 1983.

Briefly, it was that there should be a supply corporation respon-sible for procuring, producing, storing, and in the long term, manufacturing gas for delivery to specified terminals, such as now exist in the territory of each of the former area boards. The terms and conditions of supply should be contractually enforce-

The Supply Corporation would issue its own loan stock and equity and act like any other responsible oil company. It

would have the right to enjoy the fruits of its enterprise in any new discoveries, whether gas or oil. The one restriction on its operations would be a commit-ment to meet the public demand, whether through area boards, as I have proposed and still favour, or through districts of a single retail corporation, if that it was

the public favours. t firmly believe that the tension inherent in the seller/buyer situation and the need to justify the terms and conditions of each supply contract in the course of the negotiations would be infinitely more effective than the intervention of a supervisory board; while if negotiations were to break down there would be a right of appeal by either party to an arbitration board with clearly defined rights and limitations.

Yours faithfully, KENNETH HUTCHISON, 2 Arlington Road, Twickenham, January 22

### Stranger than fiction From Mr W. Myles Edge

Sir. We have now had three weeks of the new series of Yes, Prime Minister on BBC2. During two of these showings there has also been compelling viewing on BBC! Nine O'Clock News in connection with the real Prime Minister's activities. We have had to decide whether to watch the factual farce on BBC! or the fictional farce on BBC2; both have been equally unbelievable and

entertaining. If the BBC does not reschedule I will have to consider

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obtaining a video recorder.

Yours faithfully. W. MYLES EDGE. Allendale. Townfield Lane. Mollington. January 24.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The scandalous proposals for

raise funds.

Ely Cathedral cannot be so easily

occasions, spent so irresponsibly.

The mania for refitting and reordering continues unchecked

whilst insensitive restoration -

Victorians - is still with us. Surely the bishop has been to

Canterbury and seen the once-venerable medieval cloister, now

very largely a modern rebuilding?

Sadly, both the financial prob-lems of cathedrals and the

attitudes of some chapters pro-

vide a strong argument for

Save Britain's Heritage, 68 Battersea High Street, SWII.

greater public accountability.

Yours sincerely, KEN POWELL, Secretary,

### Cash troubles for the heritage

From the Secretary of Save Britain's Heritage Sir, The Bishop of Rochester (January 24) is right to draw attention to the serious financial problems affecting English Her-rtage and thereby the system of State aid to historic churches. The budget of the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission is being cut by £2 million in real terms in 1986-87, a Government economy which should evoke the widest protest.

However, the fact remains that, in the last financial year, some £4 million was given in grant aid to churches, almost all of it to the Church of England. Yet there has been no erosion whatsoever of the anomalous "ecclesiastical exemption". The Church has the unique privilege of demolishing listed buildings without any reference to government or 10 public opinion. Many historic churches have been subjected to drastic internal alteration in the interests of current liturgical

It is self-evident that such a Risks at Lloyd's privileged position cannot pos-From Ms Marguerite Evers sibly fail to carry with it some responsibilities, and to expect rewards without risk, through the medium of a market which owes Sir, The report (January 21) of Mr. Richard Needham's refusal to pay his Lloyd's losses because its existence to the idea of risk his agent had promised to place him on "safe and sound syndicates" is yet another examwould be absurd. The essential commitment of a Name is to the ple of the widespread misunderconcept that, while standing to gain he may lose, and if he loses

he pays up in full.

on 244. Like Mr Needham,

agents and Names tend to hope for "safe and sound syndicates"

of Lloyd's they cannot be

guaranteed by the one or de-

If Mr Needham regarded such

a guarantee as a condition of

membership through his chosen

agency and pre-condition of bonouring his commitments, he

demonstrates a complete mis-

conception of his role as a Name;

and an extremely disconcerting

lack of grasp (considering his

25 Kensington Park Gardens,

privatisation aid. State-owned

British Airways received its fleet

of Concordes, in effect, for free.

Concorde "profit" is simply revenue less direct operating

costs (e.g., fuel), which is "profit"

only if you believe in fairies and

have a fairy godmother. It is a very different "profit" from that which Britain's pri-

Secretary-General,

partiamentary involvement) how Lloyd's functions.

MARGUERITÉ EVERS.

Yours faithfully

January 22.

manded by the other.

standings prevalent about the nature of Lloyd's membership, all the more puzzling because in this case it comes from an MP who is not only a Name, but participated in debate on Lloyd's in Parliament As Mr. Needham ought to know, because the potential earnings of Lloyd's membership are great, so are the potential risks. Someone who has sufficient wealth to become a Name is not required to sell investments or

property in order to join Lloyd's.

They merely enter into written

unlimited commitment should net losses result from the year's trading. In return the Name has a share of the profit should premiums and investments exceed claims as they frequently and substantially do. At the same time their money continues to earn for them in whatever investments they already hold outside the market. Thus their membership

of Lloyd's gives them a chance to make a second layer of gains on the same capital.

### Concorde 'profit' From Mr R. P. Holubowicz

Sir, Concorde makes £12 million "profit" a year for British Airways, your journalist reports (January 21) from "on board champagne Concorde's birthday

No amount of caviar, cham-pagne, or "freebies" for journal-ists should be allowed to obscure the fact that this £12 million with British Airways. "profit" is operating profit, before Yours faithfully, account is taken of the aircraft's R. P. HOLUBOWICZ. capital costs.

And, lo and behold, there are The European Community's Inno capital costs associated with Concorde, by special decree of the Government. Thanks to the taxpayer, Concorde's capital costs were written off, as a pre- January 22.

From Mr A. G. Burgess
Sir, In his article, "Short, sharp-but a failure?" (January 21),

Peter Evans made reference to a

formal enquiry at the detention centre in Usk.

An enquiry at a senior level

was held there in August, 1985, and the Home Secretary has

since given consideration to the very full and detailed report

made to him. Some evidence was

found of minor deviations from

authorised procedures, but they

were of a trivial nature. No

**Enquiry at Usk** 

There is much of which the staff at Usk can be justifiably proud. The Board of Visitors, who perform a "watchdog", role have always known this. They have had every confidence in the professional and caring standards of staff which go hand in hand with a brisk and purposeful approach

dependent Airline Association,

At Usk there is no sense of fail-I would be grateful if you will publish these comments to correct what might be construed as an adverse conclusion drawn in Mr Evans's article.

action was taken against any member of staff.

It is fair to say that the outcome of the full and searching Yours faithfully, A. G. BURGESS, Chairman. Board of Visitors, Usk Detention Centre, enquiry into the regime, staff/inmate relationships and methods of control was very satisfactory, reflecting great credit on both local management and 29 Maryport Street,

Gwent.

January 24.

January 24.

Staying power

From Mr C.J. Bruxner Sir, Referring to Mr Butler's letter (January 16) I have just sewn onto my coat sleeve a button with a needle from my housewife (pronounced "huzzif" which was issued to me in 1945 upon entry into the Royal Marines at Deal. It is a kind of small hold-all made of navy-filue cotton, and designed to keep together linen and cotton thread,

needles and buttons.
It saw service across the seas and in Hong Kong and has been my constant companion ever since. The housewife is rolled up to close it and, in that form, can easily be stowed into a kitbag, suitcase or rucksack. Yours faithfully, J. Bruxner 87 Manchester Road, Southport, Lancashire

### Lost forests

From Mr Guy Mountfort Sir, None can question the good intention of Warld Bank loans to developing nations, as described by José Botafogo Goncalves (January 20). I fear, however, that he has missed the point of Tony Paterson's article (January

How can the \$1,000 million loan to Brazil be described as "firr forestry conservation and development" when it involves the destruction of tens of thousands of square miles of primary rain-forest? Also the destruction of the richest genetic resource on earth and of some of the most ancient and ecologi-

science, the pharmaceutical in-dustry, plant breeders and animal husbandry. The point is that we do not want these torests "developed". It is unrealistic to claim that the World Bank is ensuring "sound agricultural practices" in a region where only 2 per cent of the kind is 2 per cent of the kind is permanently cultivable. Most of the 400,000 impov-

erished sentlers along the new Amazon highway have already given up the attempt to raise crops and are selling their plots to city speculators. The rich American beef barons, who alone can afford the prohibitive cost of fertilizers to convert the land to

cattle grazing, will contribute little to Brazil's economy.

As for the claim that all World cally-wise Indian tribes.

As for the claim that all World

The loss of this unique gene
bank will be catastrophic for prior examination of the con-

### Sudden silence at Wapping

brushed aside: they exemplify the problems of a group of buildings which are at the centre of our national heritage. It is a matter of great public concern From Dr Alan Bullock Sir, I read with dismay in today's paper that "The Times regrets it is imable to reply to correspondents whose letters have not been that some cathedrals are drivenselected for publication". This presumably means that those of us whose polished gems perish before reaching the glory of the printed page will now no longer receive one of those charming to such desperate measures to It is equally a matter of concern that funds raised are, on notes assuring us, that, although it was not possible to find a space for our thoughts, the Editor read supposedly the preserve of the

them with interest.

I am sure we shall all be saddened and diminished by the lapsing of this olde-worlde courtesy, perhaps the last remnants of a bygone age associated with other vanished treasures such as the Fourth Leader and the "real" Personal Column.

May one hope that when Wapping starts to feel like home this genteel custom might be revived? Or will it be yet another case of ou sont les neiges d'antan? Yours faithfully

ALAN BULLOCK, Department of Italian Language and Literature. University of Leeds, Leeds.

January 28. \* The interruption, we believe. is only temporary.

From Mr B.J.H. Mattinson Sir, For 14 years I have been writing letters to The Times on The only possible exceptions are cases of suspected fraud, and topics as varied as crossword clues, international toilet signs, this is not an issue raised by Mr the magnificent voice of the late Needham in respect of his losses RSM Brittain, house insulation and, most recently, Sir Arthur Bryant's wasting secretary. None was ever published, but I treasure my collection of acknowledgebut in the nature of the business ments; all are different, each one politely softening the blow of another failure.

Now the second historic "Wapping" issue announces, in heavy black type, the end of this tradition. We unsuccessful correspondents will no longer receive replies. The "Wapping" computers are not programmed

to be polite. I enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Surely, Sir, your only honourable course is to print this, my final letter to The Times, then you may keep the stamp. Yours faithfully, B.J.H. MATTINSON, 6 Herisson Close, Pickering, North Yorkshire.

January 28. \*Mr Mattinson's stamped envelope is being returned to him.

From Mr Percy Richer
Sir, How worrying that The
Times can no longer reply to
correspondents whose letters have not been selected for

While I concede that such a step may not be strictly actionprinciple of natural justice.

I shall now not only have to buy your newspaper every day, to which I suppose I have no rooted objection, but read it carefully as O, tempora...

Yours etc. PERCY RICHER, Upton Britton & Lumb, Solic-9 Leigham Hall Parade, Streatham High Road, SW16. January 28.

From Mr A.L. Jacobs Sir, The "(stc)" appended by PHS to "priviledged" in today's Diary (January 28) would be more to the point if the same column were not itself adorned by "almer

The letter page has the wonder-ful neologism "identifical"! I had hoped that the new printing technology, by eliminating one intermediary, might reduce the generous supply of misprints in the columns of The Times. Is this hope to be disappointed?

Yours faithfully, A.L.JACOBS, 126 Nether Street, N3.

### Recovered sounds

From Mr Steve Race Sir, In July, 1938, in Cairo, Bandsman James Tappern fitted a modern mouthpiece to the silver and copper trumpet that had been found in Tutankhamen's tomb. The fanfare he produced from the long silent instrument is preserved in the BBC sound archive: surely one of the most thrilling of all recovered sounds. Yours faithfully, STEVE RACE, Martins End Lane, Great Missenden.

sequences to the environment, I would refer Sr Botafogo to a recent statement in a publication of the international Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources that, out of 200 such projects concerned with major land-drainage schemes. unly nine were supported by adequate ecological studies.

Buckinghamshire.

To most conservationists the World Bank and the Inter-American Development Bank are, for all their good intentions, financing in Brazil one of the greatest man-made ecological disasters in the world's history.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, GUY MOUNTFORT, (Vice-President, World Wildlife Fund (UK)), Hurst Oak, Sandy Lane, Lyndhurst, Hampshire.

ON THIS DAY

**JANUARY 31 1876** 

Mary Ann Cross who wrote under the name of George Eliot was born in 1819 and died in 1880. Like most of her contemporaries her novels were published initially in monthly parts - in her case in Blackwood's Magazine. The Times had a considerable appreciation of her work which may account for her work which may occount for this long review of a monthly instalment - an unusual occurrence. The reviewer was Alexander Innes Shand.

Daniel Deronda\*

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Even judging it by the standard its author has accustomed us to, this first book of Daniel Derondo is unusually full of promise. So far as the story is unfolded, it strikes us as likely 10 be more popular than "Middlemarch". The style is epigrammatic and polished as ever, and the constructive art seems to approach perfection. With the opening words, which we quote, awaltening attention is rivetted on the heroine, and thenceforward, as she alternately dazzles and mystifies, curiosity is piqued and never satisfied. "Was she beautiful, or not beautiful." and what was the secret of form or ex-"Was she beautiful, or not beautiful? and what was the secret of form or expression which gave the dynamic quality to her glance? Was the good or the evil genious dominant in those beams? Probably the evil; else why was the effect that of unrest rather than of undisturbed charm? Why was the wish to look again felt as a coercion, and not as a longing in which the whole being consents?"

In the studied significance of that

In the studied significance of that In the studied significance of that preloide, as in the changing aspects and wayward moods with which Gwandolen Harleth is presented, we have the keys to the absorbing interests of the story. "Probably the vil": the qualifying adverb adroitly suggests a world of doubts and perpening speculations. We observe Gwendolen closely, and contrast the ideas of her admirers and detractors, while pressing towards conclusions. rices of her admirers and detractors, while pressing towards conclusions that still elude us. The more our senses are conscious of the spells of her charms the less is our judgment inclined to submit blindly to their secondency. Yet, on the other hand, it seems impossible to incarnate in the light-hearted girl the guile and suppleness of the serpent, as certain cynical critics at Baden are inclined to do, simply because her toilette has arranged itself in green and silver, and each of the movements of her gracefu

person resolves itself into waving beauty lines. The brilliant Gwendolen, captivating in every company, is shown to us just as the author sees her. We are free to as the militor sees her. We are free in penetrate if we can those secrets which should be open to all the world to guess. But of the hero, Daniel Deronda, as yet we can say nothing. We have only had a gimps of him in a mixed mob; yet it is clear that he is in-tended for no common man; that the imaginative Gwendolen fancies herself imagnative (swendown mixes) reason linked to him by strange affinities; that he appears to pretend to exert an authority of her actions, though he shrinks from the formal presentation that might give him some shadow of a characteristic and that in all. claim to interfere; and that, in all probability, it is he who may enlighten her on the question as to whether she has a beart or no. But if anyone is to win her hand, the chosen champion will have the chivalrous excitement of carrying off the prize in a despetate melee, and it will take no ordinary tact and power combined to tame "the fierce maidenhood" of the petted

beauty.

As yet Gwendolen, in the triumphant flush of her buoyant existence, hes thrown the other girls into the shade, yet we suspect that one of them at least is only colourless by comparison. Little Rita Gascoigne may be what ahe seems - a modest type of affectionate simplicity; but already we observe that there is more in the retiring Miss Arrowpoint than strikes the mind on slight acquaintance. That Cwendolen to the end will have the best of it in society and the sulons we cannot doubt; the subdued verve and gently insimuated sarcasm of her dislogue with the potronizing Mr Arrowpoint indicats latent powers of stinging satire and sharp epigram. Arrowpoint indicate latent powers of stinging settre and sharp epigram. As for the scenery of the story, it is soon shifted from the garish gambling rooms of Baden to delightful country rooms of Baden to delightful country homes in a sequestered parish among the Wester Downs, and yet situated in a tolerable visiting neighbourhood. So we look forward to finished pictures of English landscapes, of which wa already have a foresaste in the way of enchanting sketches. Altogether, this tantalizing fragment has in no degree disappointed our anticipations, nor are the impressions it has made around a disappointed our anticipations, nor are the impressions it has made upon us at all likely to be effaced before the next mouthly instalment helps forward the solution of its mysteries.

""Damiel Deronda." By George Kliot. Book 1 "The Spoiled Child." William Blackwood and Sons. 1876.

### Sleepers awake

From Dr Martin Lakie Sir, Dr Geoffrey Walsh (January 16) suggests that rhythmic low-frequency vibration is longitudinally located hunks might be "positively hypnotic", but I think that a more important advantage of this arrangement is less disturbance of the sleeper when subjected to the longitudinal accelerations or decelerations which predominate during the iourney.

On a recent trip from Dundee to Bristol I observed (wakefully) that on at least three occasions the engine was changed from diesel to electric or vice-versa and that the direction of motion changed twice. Each engine changed twice. Each engine substitution was accompanied by considerable jolting and the effect of this on the present transversely disposed sleeping position is to rotate the body, rolling it violently towards the partition or (worse) towards the edge of the bunk.

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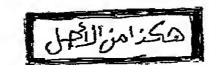
in the second

bunk Similar effects were produced by braking forces which were all ton frequent as the journey was accomplished by relatively short phases at high speed, interrupted by long sojourns in noisy

stations.

With the present design a simple prescription for a better night's sleep would be for British Rail to avoid engine changes and to operate sleeper trains at a slow and relatively constant speed Yours faithfully. MARTIN LAKIE

Department of Physiology & Pharmacology, Bute Medical Buildings, Si Andrews, Fife.





# **COURT**

### COURT CIRCULAR

SANDRINGHAM
January 30 The Princess
Anne, Mrs Mark Philips,
Senior Warden of the Worshipful Company of Carmen, today attended the court meeting, Master's Reception and Court Luncheon of the Company at the Clothworkers' Hall. London

Her Royal Highness was received by the Senior Past Master (Lieutenant-Colonel F Coxbead) and the Master (Mr. O.Sutherland)

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips. Patron of the British School of Osteopathy, this afternoon visited the School at Suffolk Street, SW1 where Her Royal Highness and was in attendance, opened the new lecture hall and toured the clinic Her Royal Highness was received by the Priocipal of

the School (Sir Norman Lindop) Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE The Prince of Wales, Presi-

Prince's Trusts, this morning

### Luncheon

Canada-United Kiagdum Chamber of Commerce Mr DP MacKinnon, First Vice-President of the Canada-United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce presided at a luncheon given yesterday at Stationers' Hall in honour of Mr David Steel. Leader of the Liberal Party

### **Dinners**

Law Society Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employ-ment, was the guest speaker at the annual dinner of the Law Society's Commerce and In-dustry Group held at the Porter Tun Room. Chiswell Street, on Wednesday night Mr Tony Cunliffe, charman, presided

Mr GS Sanders-Hewett, President of the Seven Seas Club. presided at a dinner held last night at International House.St Katharine's Dock Sir Peter Gadsden, President of the Ironbridge Gorge Museum Development Trust, also

Hertfordshire Lieutenancy Major-General Sur George Burns entertained the Deputy Lieutenants of the Herifordshire Lieutenancy on Wednesday at County Hail. Hertford, on his retirement as Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire since 1961

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the

### Birthdays today

Sir Lawrence Boyle. 66.
Lieutenant-Commander Sir
Richard Buckley. 58. Miss
Carol Channing. 65. Mr Christopher Chataway. 55. Mr Robert Clytworthy, 58. Air Marshal
Sir Christopher Hartley. 73. Air
Commodore Lord Harvey of
Prestbury 80: Mr George
Lyttleton. 82. Mr Norman
Mailer 63 Miss Jean
Simmons. 57 the Rev Lord
Soper. 83 Brigadier Sir Alexander Stanker. 87. Dame Freyal
Stark. 93 Sir Pairick Thimas.

To Falklands
A new housing scheme for Port
Stanley is to be called the
Jersey estate and paid for with
a gift of £4.750.000 raised by
Jersey is line residue of
£5 million raised by the States
of Jersey in 1982 "towards the
expenses incurred in the recovery and rehabilitation of the
Falkland Islands." Some of the
cash will also be spent on
improving domestic water suppiles with a new water treatment plant

### **London visit**

The President of the Republic of Senegal and Chairman of the Organization of African States. M Abdou Diouf, will pay a visit to the United Kingdom on February 4 and 5

at Kensingion Palace pre-sided at a meeting of the

President's Committee. The Princess of Wales this morning visited Ridgway House Elderly Persons Home, Towcester, and the Northamptonshire Centre for the Deaf. Green Street.

Northampton.
Her Royal Highness, attended by Viscountess
Campden and Lieutenant-Commander Richard Aylard. RN, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight. THATCHED HOUSE

January 30. Princess Alexandra this afternoon visited the headquarters of the Metropolitan Police Special Escort Group at Barnes Police Station, SW13 Lady Mary Fitzalan-How-

The Queen of the Netherlands celebrates her burthday today A memoral service for the Dowager Countess Howe will be held today at Holy Trunty Church, Penn. Buckinghamshire, at 3pm

A service of thanksgiving for the life of the Dowager Viscountess Davidson (Bar-oness Northchurch) will be held today in Westminster dent. The Royal Jubilee and

Kenneth Severn, and the Ju-nior Warden. Mr Alfred Shindler Canon Gerald Hud-son responded on behalf of the guests and among those present

### Service dinners

Royal Corps of Transport Major-General D.H. Braggins, Director-General of Transport and Movements, presided at a dinner of the Royal Corps of Transport officers held last night at the Royal Corps of Transport Headquarters Mess, Aldershot

RAF Chaplains
The Principal Roman Catholic Chaplain, RAF, was host at the annual RAF Chaplains dinner annual RAF Chapians dinner held last might at the RAF Club. The guests included Ar Chief Marshal Sir Thomas Kennedy and Air Marshal Sir Michael Knight

RAF Support Command Air Vice-Marshal J D Spottiswood, Air Officer Trainmg, Support Command, and members of Brampton Park Officers' Mess held a dunner last night. Group Captain D W Maurice-Jones presided and Air Marshal Sir John Sutton, Arr Officer Commanding-in-Chief. RAF Support Com-mand, was among the guests.

### Reception

London House Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, were present at a dinner of the Arbitrators' Company held at the Mansion House last night. The Master, Mr Frank E. Rehder, presided assisted by the Senior Warden, Mr American graduates.

London House Mr Kingman Brewster spoke to residents of London House and William Goodenough House yesterday evening after the annual reception arranged by the Friends of London House in the United States for all American graduates.

### Jersey cash for Falklands

The Bailiff of Jersey, Mr P L The Ballif of Jersey, Mr P L.
Crili, told the Island States that
this was how the Falklands
Islands Executive Chuncil
wanted the money spent and
that he hoped to visit Fort
Stanley in the summer of
1987/88 to inveit a plaque at

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### Archaeology

# Cracking the Inca puzzle

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

The closely fitted masomy of the Inca Empire in South America has long been fam-ous, both for the huge size of some of the blocks and for the impossibility of inserting even a knife blade between

Until recently the process by which blocks were shaped and fitted has been a mys-tery, but observation and experiment by a California professor of architecture has

solved the problem.

The blocks, of granite and andesite, weigh up to 130 tonnes and some were moved substantial distances: the andesite quarries of Rumigolga, which supplied much of the building material for the Inca capital of Cuzco, in southern Peru, he 35 kilometres from the city over rugged terrain. Professor Jeao-Pierre Protzen, of the University of California at Berkeley, has surveyed Rumingolga and also the and grante custors. the red granute quarry at Kachighata, across the valley from the noted Inca site of

He found that the Inca had constructed slides and ramps to get the blocks down the mountain, a vertical distance of nearly 3,000 ft at Kachiqhata. While most of the roads and ramps have a gentle slope of 8 to 12 degrees, the final slide into the valley of Kachighata was "an awesome drop of some

Oilantaytambo.

Several different kinds of rock were quarried for spe-gained by twisting it just cific purposes at Kachiqhata before impact so that it hit quarrying was simply select the rock at an oblique angle

The engagement is announced between James, only son of Sir

Hamish Forbes, and Mrs. Jacynthe Forbes, of The Cottage, Hambleden, near Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, and Kerry, only daughter of the Rev Lee and Mrs. Toms, of

Sacramento, California.

and Miss J.C.Campbell
The engagement is announced
between Peter, son of Dr and
Mrs J.D.Chahners, of Insch.

Aberdeenshire, and Jennie, daughter of Mr and Mrs James

Campbell, of Krasbourne Green, Harpenden, Hertford-

and Miss M.C.Schlaepfer

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr and Mrs G.M.Fordy, of Ingleby Greenhow, North Yorkshure, and Marion, daughter of Herrand Frau A.C.Schlaepfer, of Lausanne, Switzerland.

Mr LA.Henderson-Rossell and Miss A.Cronch
The engagement is announced between lam, only son of Mr

James Henderson- Russell, and

the late Mr Henderson-Russell, of Martham, Norfolk, and Amanda, only daughter of Mr Raymond Crouch, of Denham

Village, Buckinghamshire, and Mrs Scarlett Crouch, of

Witherenden House, Great Chesterford, Essex.

Chestertord, Essex.

Mr H.C.M.Leyland
and Miss S.Johnston
The engagement is announced
between Hugh, younger son of
the late Mr J.C.M.Leyland and

of Mrs BJ C.Smalley, of West Kyloe. Berwick-upon-Tweed, and Sandra, only daughter of the late Mrs G.Johnston, of Bondington, Berwick-upon-

Latest appointments include: Mr Colin Ganderton in be a non-executive member of the Prisons Board.

Christie's held their first good English furniture sale of 1986

yesterday and recorded a

The smartest items oo offer

were a pair of Regency parcel git and mahogany side cabi-nets which sold for £16,200 (estimate £6,000-£8,000) to

Hyde Park Antiques of New

York. Framed by near ribbed pillars, glittering gift carving and a frieze applied with gift

metal ornaments, they were

both usable and obviously

buoyant market.

grand.

**Appointments** 

Mr N.St.J.Fordy

Mr P.S.Chain

shure.

Forthcoming

marriages

Mr J.T.S.Ferbes and Miss K.L.Toms

of the Inca Empire in 1532 This pit, the most complete Inca quarry known, is about 100 metres long, 60 metres wide and between 15 and 20

metres deep.
The blocks were shaped by pounding with hammerstones. These ranged m weight from 200 grammes up to 8 kilogrammes (about 17.5 lb), and were of tougher rocks than those being shaped, including quartzite, grante and basalt. They were probably made from river cobbles. Pounding marks are still visible on some blocks, remarkably similar to those seen in Pharaonic quarries at Aswan 10 Egypt.
Professor Protzen experi-

mented with hammerstones, and found that one face of a block could be dressed m only 20 minutes. Dressing three sides and cutting five edges took an hour and a half. The edge of each new face had to be "drafted" with a small hammerstone to prevent chipping of the edge and this slightly receding plane results in the sunken joints that create such a dramatic chiaroscuro effect in Inca masonry under the Andean sun.

250 metres down a slope of about 40 degrees", he reports in the Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians. hands; maximum effect was

back between 15 and 25 cm. .When the blocks reached their destination they were laid in irregular courses to create the cyclopean effect characteristic of Inca architecture. Professor Protzen found that the bed-

ding joint for each new course was cut into the top face of the course already laid below it. This sometimes resulted in concave angles being pounded out of lower courses, but it also made it easy to reconstruct the order m which blocks in a wall and course were placed m po-

The famous knife-proof tight fit was obtained by placing the upper block on the lower, outlining the edge (for which modern Quechua quarrymen use a deep yellow sap called *llawili*), and then pounding the joint out with a hammerstone. When the upper block is placed again for a trial fit, the dust compresses where the two faces already touch, and remains loose elsewhere. This shows where further pounding is necessary. In only 90 minutes

Sometimes only the outer edges of the blocks were fitted closely, and the interior of the joint was filled with rubble, but often the fitting was tight over the whole surface of the joining planes, vertical as well as lateral. The famed "stone of the twelve

tion of sumble boulders in a rather than vertically, bemassive rockfall, but at cause fisking as well as
Ramiqolog, the Llama Pit, crushing occurred. Fatigue is the best known end
still has some 250 shaped was lessened by the fact that product of this process of
blocks lying on as floor,
abandoned perhaps at the fall back between 15 and 25 cm. stones have their bedding planes cut into its top and sides, it has simken joints tracing its outline dramati-cally, and all the joints are very tight, but there is no longer any mystery in how or

> Professor Protzen has shown clearly what kinds of stone the Inca selected, how n was extracted, trummed. dressed, laid and fitted. He has also documented the systems of ramps and slides by which blocks left the quarries, and "marshalling yards" whre blocks were stored in transit until wanted.

One big problem remains: while the movement and raising of the smaller blocks would not have needed a large labour force, the largest stones would have required hundreds or even thousands of men to shift them. The 130-tonne monster which is presently the largest known Inca block would have needed some 2,400 men, Professor Protzen calculates. and it would have been difficult to attach enough Professor Protzen obtained a ropes for them to bold, or to fit close to that of an Inca manoeuvre them m the manoeuvre them in the confined spaces of the steep Andean slopes. Yet it was done: some aspects of Inca civilization remain not just mysterious, but awe-inspir

Source: Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians, Vol 44, 161-182.



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CORPUS CHRISTI COLLECE
Exceed into a research fellowship
from October I. A. W. H. Shennam, B.A.
charma exhibition to read medicine in
1987 P. J. Larcombe Wells
Catheories.

The figurehead from HMS Victoria, the last three-decked wooden batileship to be built, which has become a landmark at the Royal Navy Engineering College at Phymouth, is to be restored. The finely carved wooden figurehead has been taken to a specialist firm in Exeter and the photograph shows Mr Hingh Harrison, the company's managing director, with it tied, Gulliver-like, to a low-loader larry.

The Standard items of furniture

Standard items of furniture

were making strong prices, which had not been restored or played around with. A manogany is strong bridge Both were bought by strong bidding functional but handsome pieces which had not been restored or played around with. A manogany with a pair of Regency gift shows and the process of the proces

Science report

# Birds fall victim when elms are felled

Birds are the forgotten victims of Dutch elm disease. When the trees are killed by the disease, much of the foliage that would be expected to be aseful to hedge-row birds is destroyed. But research on a Dorset farm suggests that the hirds do not suffer unduly from the effects of the disease. They do, however, suffer if the dead trees are felled.

Mr Patrick Osborne, who

investigated bird populations on the farm for most of the 1970s, accepts that his main claim about the difference between the disease and felling conflicts with some made by other researchers. But he insists that his work leads to the apparent paradox that the death of the trees

trouble than they experience from the felling.

He is convinced that some birds benefit when eims are birds benefit when eims are killed by the disease. The larvae of the beetles that

**Buoyant market for furniture** 

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

more sunlight to reach the ground so that more plants can flourish. The loss of leaves from dead trees does not worry the birds because very few of them eat elm leaves. Several small species such as sparrows nest in the ivy that climbs round elms, but that goes on growing even

birds benefit when eims are killed by the disease. The larvae of the heetles that carry the disease make a ready food supply for such birds as tits and woodpeckers.

The death of the trees may help other species by allowing more smilight to reach the grounds at that more plants can flourish. The loss of leaves from dead trees does not worry the birds because very few of them eat ehm leaves. Several small species felled.

The disease make a removed, and habitat structure is dramatically altered.

Following ehm death and felling, eight bird species were lost from the hedges on the job should be felled only when absolutely necessary and that the job should be done with the job should be done with the job should be force with job should be force with the job should be force with the job should be force with job should be force and the job should be force with job should be force with job should be force with job should be force and the job should be force with job should felled. He therefore warns against

such as sparrows nest in the ivy that climbs round elms, but that goes on growing even if the trees are dead.

"Elm felling is a wholly owners. That means felling different matter," Mr Os- healthy trees in imminent Source: Journal of Applied Ecology, vol 22, no 3; Blackwell Scientific Publications, Osney Mead, Oxford OX2 OEL; subscription 265 a year.

happen."
Source: Journal of Applied

### **OBITUARY**

### MR PATRICK MONTAGUE-SMITH Influential editor of Debrett

1980, having joined Debrett as assistant editor in 1946. He was only the eighth person to hold this position since John Debrett, who died in 1822, and from whom the Peerage takes its name; and it is largely thanks to his knowledge that this reference book has become a symbol of authority. On all matters authority on all matters relating to genealogy and correct form.

He became interested in genealogy as a young boy, and recalled in later life the time when he would bicycle around the countryside, gathering information from distant cousins, and how be once bearded a crusty colonel in his Turkish bath.

it was his love of people and anecdotal family bistory that brought a light touch to his exemplary scholarship, and divested his research of any trees of exchange. any trace of snobbery. He often said how lucky he was to be able to work in the subject of his chief interest. Patrick Montague-Smith was born in 1920, the only child of Major Vernon Mootague-Smith and his wife Sybil, daughter of William Bourne. He was educated at Mercers' School, and served in the RASC from 1940 to 1946, after which he joined

The office then was run along very old fashioned lines, with all those whose names appeared in the Petrage being listed in large leatherbound address books, which the editor kept under

Janury 29 at the age of 88, was Conservative MP for Worthing from 1945 to 1964.

during the second. Otho Leslie Prior-Palmer

throughout hostilities.

WINIFRED ELKIN

on January 20 at the age of Union of Se 96, devoted her long life to Cutzenship penal reform, women's suf-frage and other social con-cerns.

She read economics at the Howard League and Newnham College. Cambridge and thereafter went to the Board of Trade in 1913

Juvenile Courts and The She worked in the Central Labour Exchaoge Depart-

Ministry of Food Winifred Elkin was a Her ardent suffragism led Fellow of the Royal Statis-Ministry of Food

Keeper in 1945.

ing over 46 years, he acnon and customs. Over these years and also Society of Archivists 1954-57

after his retirement, he contributed greatly to understanding of the City's history through many scholarly articles and books, which in-

A V-M LESLIE CANNON

mander-in-Chief of the Royal Pakistan Air Force from 1951 to 1955, an intercalation in

Patrick Montague-Smith, continued to be published should be died on January 26, aged 66, will be chiefly remembered as Editor of Debrett - a postuon he held from 1962 to 1980 having world below the state of the published annually, complete with the and Knightage Companionage, until 1971. During his time as editor he During his time as editor he was respoosible for tracing heirs to the Earldonis of Essex and Cavan, and the baronetcy of Wolseley of Mount Wolseley, and he fearlessly and without prejudice entered the controversy over whether the duchess of Windsor was entitled to the Windsor was entitled to the prefix of HRH.

Montague-Smith was an astonishingly prolitic writer. As well as contributing many learned articles to genealogical publications, he wrote the Royal Line of Succession (1953) for Pitkin. Debrett's Correct form (1970), which immediately became a stanunmediately became a stanummediately became a standard work on this complex subject, the Country Life Book of the Royal Silver Inhilec (1977), and Queen Ehzabeth the Queen Mother (1985).

He also provided the material for his (maternal) family article, Bourne-May formerly of Hackinsall, in Burke's Landed Genery (18th edition), and was renowned for his research into his Breretoo ancestry which appeared in Burke's Irish Fam dy Records.

His gentle and modest nature, and his readiness and enjoyment in sharing the fruits of his researches. brought him very many friends. He was especially helpful to the press, encouraging to young students and a delightful man to work

His marriage in 1974 to Annabella Newton brought him much happiness and lock and key. companionship. The world of Under Montague-Smith's genealogy has suffered an editorship the Peerage irreparable loss.

After the war he retired

from the army to contest

Worthing for the Conser-

vatives, winning by the large margio of 19.767, a note-

worthy result in view of the

Labour landslide throughout

the rest of the country. He

held the seat with substantial

majorities at subsequent elec-

tions until aonouncing his descissoo not to stand in

Union of Societies for Equal

English Penal System which

presentation to him on his 65th birthday of Studies in

London History, a collection

latter became a minor classic

work. The Central Banks, was written jointly with Sir

### **BRIGADIER SIR OTHO** PRIOR-PALMER

1964.

Winifred Elkio who died and writer for the National

Brigadier Sir Otho Prior- he led throughout the Italian Campaign. He was decorated DSO in 1945. Palmer, DSO, who died oo

Prior lo that he had had a distinguished military career. Every unch a cavalryman, be served to both world wars. commanding mechanised and armoured formations

was boro oo October 28,1897, the son of Spunner Prior-Palmer, and was edu-cated at Wellington and Saodhorst-He was Saodhorst. He was commissioned in the 9th ancers in 1916 and served broughout hostilities.

In the Second World War man of the party's Committee and Vice-Chairman of the party's Parliamentary Army Sub-Committee and Vice-Chairman of the Committee and Manual Manu commissioned in the 9th

Lancers in 1916 and served he commanded, initially, the Committee and Home Affairs' 2nd Northamptonshire Yeo- Committee. Defence and for-

manry, an armoured regular eign affairs were particular ment, and later commanded interests, and he was a past the 30th and 29th Armoured Chairman of the Nato Par-Brigades before going to the liamentariaos Defence
7th Armoured Brigade which Committee.

ment and as a statistician dealing with industrial enquines, and subsequently

transferred to the wartime Cecil Kisch

to her being a regular speaker tical Society MR PHILIP JONES

Mr Philip Edmund Jones, cluded calendars of some of OBE, who was Deputy the Corporation's medicial Keeper of the Corporation of and 17th ceotury archives London Records from 1945 and last leaves of two of to 1970, died on Jaouary 1. London's livery companies.

aged 81.

Born on November 16, share his extensive knowl1904. Philip Jones entered edge with others and the the Corporation Records Of-fice in 1923 and became head of the office when be suc-ceeded to the post of Deputy of papers contributed by some of those who had made

During his long service with the Corporation, extendextensive use of the Corporation's archives, sig-nalled the widespread regard quired an unrivalled in which he was held the conguns and history of the City's construc-

He was chairman of the

Air Vice-Marshal Leslie William Cannon, CB, CBE, who died oo January 27 at the age of \$1 was Com-

During the Second World War he held technical appointments with Bomber Command and, later, with the Second Tactical Air Force mander-in-Chief of the Royal Pakistan Air Force from 1951 to 1955, an intercalation in an RAF career in which he subsequently rose to be Director General of Organisation.

Cannon, who was born an April 9, 1904, and educated at Hertford Grammar School, entered the RAF as an apprentice in 1920.

His service between the wars included a period with the Fleet Air Arm on the China Stalion and a spell as a flying instructor at Cranwell before he took an engineering course at the RAF College.

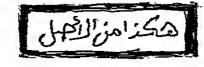
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### THE ARTS

# Television Malign spirits

whose task is to entice BBC executives into foolishness at exactly the moment most calculated to prejudice whatever negotiations are in progress over the licence fee. In the Channel 4 series Opinions, Lord Annan took stock of some of this evil spirit's successes, notably the furore caused last year by the BBC governors' action in banning the Real Lives programme which sought in examine the beliefs of senior

IRA men. He dispensed blame generously, not only to the ttives who avoided makheir actions known to superiors, and to the bers of the National n of Journalists who, in iew, called a strike with primary objective of iliating the governors.

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, bowever, it did not atend to considering the delicate balance between the BBC and the independent broadcasting institutions. This inter-relationship is one which the Annan Committee had the opportunity to explore in detail, and one which could be seriously disturbed a redistribution of

advertising revenue.

Lord Annan limited his views to the BBC itself; in brief, he wanted the Corporation to pull up its socks, smarten up its act and look as if it deserved a larger slice of public funds.

Celia Brayfield daily problems of living and getting along.

# Realism that goes to profound depths

**Sweet Dreams (15)** Curzon

Alamo Bay (18)

Revolution (PG) Warner

Almost a quarter of a century after her death, the country singer Patsy Cline is still a very real presence in Sweet Dreams, the dramatized story of her life and her tragic end in an air crash. Her voice was strong and pure and ranging; and she treated country songs as if they were ballads, pacing them slowly and infusing them with extraordinary depth of feeling. In the composition of the film, Cline's songs not only trace the chronological progress of her career but provide a strong emotional commentary and charge. In the best sense, Sweet Dreams is a

musical. The opening of the film provides a pleasant, nostalgic link with Karel Reisz's first film as director, Momma Don't Allow, co-directed with Tony Richardson. Both films begin with people arriving at a dance hall; and Sweet Dreams opens in 1956, precisely the period when the earlier film launched Reisz as one of the finest British directors of

his generation. From his first films, Reisz's clear commitment has been to that realist tradition which bas been one of the great strengths of British cinema even if it is currently discredited by the kind of voguish, weathercock criticism that will acknowledge only one acceptable style at any one time, and has for the moment elevated the irrealism of Powell and Pressburger as the apogee of the national

Reisz's kind of realism goes deeper than setting and subject. The attraction of Sweet Dreams is his ability to convey real people in a real society. It is easier to appreciate and understand country music seeing the place of its unpretentious origins. Filming mostly on location in Tennessee and West Virginia, recreating the working-class bomes and automobiles, the motels and dance halls and recording studios and auditoria of the Fifties, the film recaptures a singular piece of Americana, and the people who inhabited it. Cline herself is shown as an artist of exceptional intuitions, but she is also a working girl, ninetenths of her time taken up with the

Gerting along means mostly the ups and downs of her marriage. Charlie Dick is a good guy and a loving husband — except when he is not, when he gets drunk, and goes whoring, and beats up Patsy, who can hit back anyway. They quarrel violently, and separate, yet always come back because (and we are convinced of it) they are inextricably in love.

Making us believe wholly in the genuine feeling and intermittent joy of this everyday love-affair, Reisz is assisted by a fine ensemble of performances. Jessica Lange is exceptional: her Patsy Cline is open, extravert, optimistic; and when she's mad she's really mad. Lange can extravert a whole general of myddled. suggest a whole crowd of muddled emotions battling for possession of her; and she conveys uncannily the look of a first-time mother regarding her small miracle. Her most remarkable achievement is in the performance of Patsy Cline's own songs. Aware as we are that she is lipsynching to the old recordings, there is still never a doubt that Lange is really singing; nor is the transition from Cline's voice to her own ever detectable: "She got the voice", Reisz has explained, "and through the voice discovered the character." As exactly, Ed Harris gives the sense of a man who cannot help it, who is powerless against his own weakness and waywardness. Ann Wedgworth is Patsy's loving mother, simple, loyal, unable for long to keep ber dutiful maternal sternness

In Alamo Bay — another piece of Americana observed by an outsider, in this case the Frenchman Louis Malle - Ed Harris appears in a somewhat less sympathetic role as a slow-thinking, violent Texas red-neck. Scripted by Alice Arlen, who also wrote Silkwood, the film is an honourable, earnest tract, based on actual events that happened around Galveston Bay, Texas, in 1979-81. With deteriorating conditions in the fisheries, local resentment of the hard-working emigrants from Vietnam flared into militancy and resort

from falling into touchingly skittish,

to the Ku-Klux-Klan. It is more in sorrow than in scorn that one contemplates the disastrous Revolution — on whose fate the future of British cinema appears to oo small extent to depend. Its shortcomings are not to be blamed on the director, Hugh Hudson, as an individual, but on the whole production organization that made it possible. Leaving aside wbether it is a wise strategy for the British cinema to essay a story so purely American in concern, how was it possible, from the start, to commit funds that eventually exceeded



"Never a doubt that she is really singing": Jessic ": Jessica Lange's

\$20m to a script that is so evidently inadequate? It gabbles away in diffuse, ill-written dialogue, without form, without characters, without coming near its acknowledged in-tentions of relating the drama of the American revolution through the

experiences of private individuals. Once committed to this shaky blueprint, however, could no one, seeing the rushes, have advised the director that all was not going right? That the story was not emerging. that the material had no consistency or style or rhythm, that the actors were not finding characters in the script hut were being frozen into unvarying expressions and moods. that resources were not being used or intentions achieved?

The film was not starved of talent. One of the best British art directors, Assheton Gorton, made a brave job of re-creating Georgian America in East Anglia, and John Mollo brought his peculiar expertise to recreating the military scene. But without the flair and art to use such advantages, it is all rather like the treasures crated up in Citizen Kane's

Hugh Hudson's basic intentions are clear, but neither well-advised nor realized. Wanting to make links between the historical drama and the concerns of our times, be has proved too naive. Trying to give the American revolution the look and feel of 1980s street demonstrations,

he has only sacrificed the authenticity of his reconstruction. Wanting to give his film the urgent look of newsfilm, be has achieved only ugly compositions and irritatingly unsteady camerawork. Worst, his characters speak in a weird muddle of accents and anachronistic dialogue. Al Pacino, in the leading role as a simple man refuctantly commit-ted to revolution, comes off worst: his face frozen into one uncomprehending expression, he strug gles with a concocted accent which for much of the time falls into gangster-era Brooklynese.

Hudson seeks the inspiration of the best models: the battle scenes and painted faces of the effete British owe something to Barry Lyndon; the aftermath of Yorktown echoes the end of Kagemusha, and Pacino's last-scene struggle against a tide of people looks like the end of Les Enfants du paradis. But comparisons are embarrassing. The quirkiness of shooting a battle with muted sound and elegaic music recalls the oddities of Hudson's first feature, Chariots of Fire, in which be elected to shoot fast races in slow motion. As early as that film it was clear that he is one of those directors who need a friend, in the shape of a forceful creative producer to guide him. In this case he clearly did not

David Robinson

### **Theatre** A fine transfer for all that



The medium to which Jane Austen's most approachable novel most readily lends itself for translation, pace the Olivier/Garson film version and the more recent tele-vision serial, is the radio play: the first part of the book proceeds almost entirely by means of dialogue, with the authorial eye assert-ing itself only when the fortune-seeking heroines be-gin to explore the wider outside their selfcontained, garrulous dom-

Pownall's stage David daptation (by no means the first) was taken on tour last year by the Cambridge The-atre Company, and is here revived in a joint production by the Birmingham Rep and the Leicester Haymarket. His script edits and compresses the narrative proficiently enough, although this does leave something skimped about the build-up to the critical confrontation be-tween James Warwick's straight-backed Mr D'Arcy and Tessa Peake-Jones's pert Lizzie, while the scene immediately following and equally momentous, in which Lydia's elopement with the unprincipled Wickham forces her father to take a practical interest in his family, has likewise been plundered of its emotive power.

The celebrated opening exposition emerges from the lips of Peter Sallis's vexed, mischievous Mr Bennet and lo the accompaniment of cattle lowing offstage. This is

not particularly vulgar, nei-ther is it a travesty of the story's broad theme (heifers have a price and so do eligible bacbelors: husbandry is an economic process) hut it introduces an unfortunate exchange with Pauline Yates's fussy Mrs Bennet on the subject of castration which sets the tone for the off-key situation comedy to

In the programme (which incidentally misspells two of the characters' names and also invites us to believe that Sanditon remains unpublished) Mr Pownall notes that he wrote his adaptation in a fortnight, "turning aphorisms and phrases like a sil-versmith" — not, perhaps, the wisest choice of artisan to let loose on Austen's cool, prim, judicious periods, as the occasional clanging anachronism bears witness. "There remains a shortfall of £20,000", says Wickham, pressurizing his pre-planned betterment scenario.

Elsewhere, the Regency flavour is well seasoned by Poppy Mitchell's costumes, and Bill Pryde's production includes plenty of conversation-and-dancing (choreo-graphed by Sue Lefton) which gives Ian Gilder great scope as the oily, cuphuistic ass Mr Collins. You are uni-form-ly charm-ing", he as-sures Lizzie on bended knee.

Reviewing this production in these columns last year, Irving Wardle declared it to be "the most enjoyable novel adaptation 1 have seen since Nicholas Nicklehv" — a judgement of which I see no reason to change a word.

Martin Cropper

### **Philistines** The Pit

In the fiftieth anniversary year of Gorky's death the Royal Shakespeare Company gives Londoners the chance. to see his first play, written with Chekhov's methods in mind but a distinct and original piece: a black comedy that accommodates a suicide attempt, victim of misprized love, and a selfobsessed student along with such exemplars of bone as an open-bearted train-driver and

a gaoler's life-loving widow. All are relatives or lodgers in the house of a truly monstrous pillar of the bourgeoise (David Burke), a blinkered bully contemp-tuous of his family yet speaking with rage at anyone who dares to escape from it. Only the cold at beart will fail to enjoy a shiver of excitement as his corrupt world begins to fall apart. That the household can

also stand for Russia is suggested in John Caird's engrossing production by placing a few silver hirch

trees in among the furniture. On the soil of Russia as around this dinner table the war is waged between parents and children, the selfish and the loving, honesty and the

The cast is unchanged from the opening at Stratford last summer, and their long familiarity with the roles helps to convey an uncommonly vivid sense of the company as a community. Fiona Sbaw's hollow-eyed daughter may be a character of ludicrous unhappiness yet she becomes an unforgettable image of gaunt despair. In opposition to this denial of life stands the uncomplicated Nill, excellently played by Tom Mannion so that we share his wondering delight in love and steam-engines. Anna Calder-Marshall's merry widow is another example of the richness and vital contradictions Gorky gives bis characters and which the cast seize on 10 give us, through comedy and terror, an image of a real world.

Jeremy Kingston

# "Lister ginls, I have an important announcement

to make", said Daisy. "Our School play will end it's ripping 3 year run on February 15th. So I want you to get all your friends to come and see us again

before we finally break up".

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Messiaen's Turangalila-

symphonic is getting plenty of performances at the moment, and there are two recordings on the way. But Chrono-chromie, his next work for large orchestra, is a rare bird indeed - or rather a rare aviary since so much of it consists of the cries, calls and songs of birds, often in collosal amplification. It is a work of public celebration and joy, and its splendour was roundly displayed in Wednesday's performance at the opening of a Music of Eight Decades concert con-ducted by David Atherton. The wind, and most particularly the percussionists, of the BBC Sympbony Orchestra were in excellent form, re-capturing the fierce alacrity they learnt from Boulez in music of this sort. The concert was off to an excellent start.

Then it turned into marshmallow. I think Takemitsu's riverrun would have been a weak spot in any programme, but the stark, sleek and exultant Chronochromie was a quite alarming contrast, especially when Takemitsu uses a Messiaen-style (though earlier, lusher, Messiaen-style) harmony and many Messiaen-like touches in the combination of piano with orchestra. The difference is in point of view. Where Messiaen's rhythms and forms are exact and disciplined, Takemitsu is content to drift in fantasy. The effect is of a slice from Turangalila that has been efficiently boned and left to slide. Paul Crossley's rapturous and colourful playing of the solo part deserved better music; so did Joyce's title.

After the interval there was a return to the Boulez repertory, and to a work Boulez enjoyed playing sev-eral times with this orchestra: Bartok's bailet The Wooden Prince. If anything Mr Atherton's performance found still wider ranges of inne and texture in the music, partly spacious enough to exploit

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because be found it possible every level of movement and sometimes to use a lighter recession within and between hand. The rhythmic puppet-dance does not, after all, have (sometimes almost over the top in their nudge-and-wink ingly, and the grotesque sounds unloose themselves more freely if it is not. All that was lacking was a sense of intimacy and importance at the brief Parsifal-like heart unceasing invention.

Concerts

of the score. Otherwise this was a ricb and dynamic concerto for orchestra played as such. **Paul Griffiths** 

**Beaux Arts Trio** Wigmore Hall

The Beaux Arts Trio love a party. In 1980, Menahem Pressler, Bernard Greenhouse and Isidore Cohen were celebrating their own twenty-fifth birthday. On Wednesday it was the twenty-fifth anniversary of their first London concert at the Wigmore Hall, and the merrymaking, as ever, was

They started with Haydn's Where Philip Glass's brand Piano Trio in C, made into a of minimalism is transparcharacter piece which said as much about them as it did about Haydn. It began with Pressler crouching low over the keyboard, head on one side, ready to release a flood of twinkling scales from the opening chords, or to catch Cohen's eye in mischevious ascent to the first modulatory cadence. It ended with a finale whose rondo unwound like one long, rapturous Jewisb joke with its sudden harmonic changes, foreshortened phrases and exclamation marks of accents sharpened by audaciously split-second timing.

When the Beaux Arts take their place in history with trios like the Thibaud-Casals-Cortot - with whom they are already compared - it will surely be not only their unique wit but their voracious appetite for exploration which will be remebered. Beethoven's "Archduke" Trio was performed on a monumental scale, slow and

ticated forms have not done rubato) and, in the Andante, to separate out all the harmonic threads of its chorale and respin them with Not all was merriment. At

the centre stood Sbostakovich's Piano Trio in E minor, Op 67, and the Beaux Arts as entertainers stepped back. As the opening cello harmonics and dark violin surfaced from their long tunnel, Pressler's fleet fingers turned from mischief to tapping out an obsessive dance of death. His unforgettable initiation and summation of the long Chaconne framed two movements of extraodinarily searching ten-

Hilary Finch

**Steve Reich Dominion Theatre** 

ently empty, depending upon theatrical presentation to make any substantial effect at all, that of Steve Reich is much more subtle. This concert, given by the composer's own group, Steve Reich and Musicians, to a buge audience, pointed the differences admirably. For Reicb often disguises vacuity with suaveness, a suaveness, I might add, that had me convinced when I first heard his music, and his group compounds the illusion with a sleek professionalism one can only gawk at.

There is not much else to

do other than gawk, either, since his polished systemized sounds do not exactly encourage active, intelligent listening. Yet sometimes the processes are fascinating for themselves, and none more so than in one of the two works played here that dated from the early 1970s, Clap-ping Music, where a single clapped rhythm moves slowly out of and back into phase with itself. But even in Drumming (1971), from which we heard Part 3, scored for four glockenspiels, piccolo and whistler, one leels Reich's slowly shifting patterns to be a negative. even self-destructive, mode of expression, utterly devoid of emotion as no other music

His increasingly sophis-

his more recent music much good either if Vermont Counterpoint (1982), New York Counterpoint (1985). and Sextet (1985) are any thing from which lo judge him. The first two of these works rely beavily on multitrack tapes (of flutes and clarinets respectively) plus one live player, there, it seemed, chiefly to give the audience a visual point of concentration. Certainly there was no added atmosphere of spontaneity in either work. Of the glossy Sextet, like New York Counterpoint receiving its British première, there is little to say. And, like Reich, I have no qualms about saying that more than once.

**Stephen Pettitt** 

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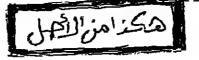
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Yesterday.Lonrho an-

nounced full year profits for the year to September 1984 of £158 million (£135 mil-

### FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

# Little encouragement in latest jobs trend

January brings the three-month mov- other robust competitors are powerful ing average — the traditional measure enough to ensure that the new of the underlying trend — to a rise of company will not be able to use its 10,500 a month. Only last November, dominant market position to raise that same three-month average meaprices against the public interest.

See Suggested unemployment was Prices will continue to be depressed in the public interest.

now falling by 5,400 a month.

It is beginning to look a little like big brewers, with their extensive tied early 1984 when an autumn of good house interests, and the big superfigures encouraged ministers to think market chains, Guinness argues. or the third month in a row.

There remain, however, some Argyll, the rival Distillers bidder, is

OECD's analysis of Britain's companies fight it out in an auction, the loss to Argyll grows with the increased costs of Guinness's bid.

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problems: Britain's system of indus- section of the Companies Act. trial relations, its minimum wage Unsurprisingly, Guinness claims this legislation, and the "unemployment is nonsense. trap" caused by the narrow margin between unemployment benefits and wages at the lower end of the labour No comment on market. Change, the OECD points out, is painfully slow: thus the picture ICI merger remains somewhat gloomy in the short-term - a view that coincides A press report that Imperial Chemical with the Confederation of British Industries and Beecham are in talks Industry's recent forecast of further about a potential £3 billion takeover reductions in manufacturing employ- by ICI drew no comments from both

### Guinness undaunted by long odds

confidence that its £2.2 billion For Sale sign up since November, but takeover bid for Distillers will be until recently City speculation had put cleared by the Office of Fair Trading Unilever in the role of most likely and the Government. With Distillers shares languishing at a level which is well below the value of Guinness's bid, it is virtually alone in bolding

On the face of it there is an obvious and clear cut case for a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. The combined share of the two companies in the British Scotch whisky market would be in excess of the 30 per cent level at which the OFT dilution that would imply. They do, has traditionally judged that a however, think ICI could be interested technical monopoly comes into play. in Beecham's pharmaceuticals side, Moreover its share of whisky produc-tion capacity would be be well in ex-

cess of 50 per cent. breach of the 30 per cent market share James Capel estimates it could be rule of thumb are occasionally worth up to £1.5 billion.

It is hard to find the smallest crumh allowed. Guinness is pitching the of comfort in the unemployment counter- arguments on three levels. It figures. A 20,600 increase in the claims that Seagrams, Hiram Walker, seasonally-adjusted adult total in Highland Distilleries and a number of

memployment was on the turn, only in the third argument, used to justify or the frend to turn relentlessly up a number of the recently announced gain. The figures for vacancies big mergers, is that Britain needs a einforce the gloomy picture, with a powerful new force in the interall in the number on offer in January, national drinks market to compete with the likes of Japan's Suntory.

rounds for hoping this is a temporary meanwhile thinking of going to court etback. The first is that demography with its grievance over the company's s beginning to work the agreement to pay Guinness's bid costs. Sovernment's way: while in the early These, it has emerged, could be as 1980s, the numbers of school-leavers high as £25 million. The agreement is were adding substantially to the also open ended, making Distillers labour force, in the late 1980s the tolabour form year to year. This is the underwriting of Guinness shares fundemental reason for a glimmer of should Guinness decide to raise its optimism in unemployment forecasts. hid. The Takeover Panel turned down Even the Organisation for Ecothe complaint at a full meeting on
ic Co-operation and DevelopWednesday night but Argyll now
whose new report on the United
apparently believes that it has got a m yesterday endorsed its good legal case against the "poison as forecast of a slowdown in pill" tactic. If the Guinness bid fails thinks the unemployment because of a reference, that means £25 million off Argyll's capital base, assuming its rival and unfavoured takeover bid is rival and unfavoured takeover bid is an auction

jovernment's scope for expansion, funds to purchase a firms own shares. However, the OECD does believe that Distillers is giving financial assistance government labour market policies are to a company which is attempting to buy its shares and that could be The OECD cites three particular interpreted as a breach of the relevant

sides yesterday. Lord Keith of Castleacre, the acting chief executive of Beecham since the sacking of Sir Ronald Halstead in November, had earlier said he knew nothing about any bid. The rumours about ICI bidding for Beecham are Guinness is continuing to express not new. Beecham has virtually had a predator.

ICI has been cast in the guise of likely bidder several times since it set up an inhouse acquisition team in November 1984. It was recently rumoured to have been bidding for Burmah Oil.

City analysts are sceptical that ICI would launch a full bid for Beecham because of the amount of paper it would have to issue and the level of erates 45 per cent of Beecham's profits Nevertheless, mergers that involve a and Mr Mark Quilliam of stockbroker

# Rank shares soar as profit reaches £137m record

Rank Organisation, the lei-million after the 1984 dis- and Warner holidays busi- matic growth in holidays and sure and business equipment posal of the Rank City Wall nesses and Thorn EMI's recreation where trading profgroup, yesterday signalled its full return to corporate health with record £137 million profits which sent the shares The chairman, Sir Patrick Meaney, said that last year marked the beginning of a "revitalized expansion phase". For the first time in at least 20 years after two at least 20 years, after-tax profits from Rank-managed businesses exceeded those from the associate compenies, principally the holding in Rank Xerox.

By Patience Wheatcroft

Hanson Trust has renewed its attack on Imperial

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strongly-worded letter declaring that Hanson's £2 billion bid for Imperial offers

shareholders much better

"The proposed 'reverse takeover' by United Biscuits shows that your board has lost its way," writes Lord Hanson, the chairman, before

points out that £1,000 in-

beginning of 1980 would now be worth £11,035 while the

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intensified yesterday, as the helicopter group's stock-

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Dow Jones industrial av-

crage, which added 2.52 points to 1558.94 on Wednesday, was down 0.69 points to 1558.25 shortly

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issues crossing the tape. Before the market opened,

the Commerce Department reported that the US index of

leading economic indicators rose 0.95 in December.

**More power** The electricity industry in

creased its share of the energy market last year by 3.6 per cent compared with 1984. Meanwhile gas use rose by

after the market opened

Lord Hanson also high-

£28.3 million. Sir Patrick said: "The more satisfying mans profits from Rank-managed task of preparing for the businesses exceeded those from the associate companies, principally the holding in Rank Xerox.

Rank's pretax profits for the acquisition arena at the present time.

going on to rebut criticisms
by Imperial about the
longterm performance of
Hanson companies. He Lord Hanson to plans to retire

vested in Hanson Trust at the lights the decision of

went into the market to buy shares at prices up to 140p. The clients who wanted the shares remained anonymous.

Rowe & Pitman's senior partner, Mr Peter Wilmot Sitwell, said his firm was offering two different prices. 133p a share for stock which would be processed in the processed in the period ended 29/9/84 mrnover 1827.2 (770.7). operating profit 418.2 (140.5) interest pble 14.6 (4.9) mortisation of premium acqua 11.7 (uil). pretax pft 391.9 (135.6), tax 142.4 (65.7) amount attrib to pre-acqua 55.5 (nil), eps 6.57p (1.84p), shares 103 up 3.

24 hours. Only with the second category can the client be certain of being able to vote the shares at the forthcoming Westland meet-

the year to October 31 rose from £105.3 million on turnover which fell from post for two major accision industries — improved £724.7 million to £630.9 quisitions, the Mecca Leisure profits, with the most dra-

property subsidiary. Continuing businesses improved trading profits by more than a third and the level of net borrowings has fallen from £240 million two years ago to

cleaning up is over and we are now concentrating on the

In the past few months Rank has been pipped at the

Imperial directors have lost

their way, says Hanson

Imperial's chairman, Mr

Geoffrey Kent, to retire next year. "Sir Gordon White and

I have no such plans," Lord Hanson says of himself and

the chairman of Hanson

• SPAFAX TELEVISION HOLDINGS: Div 2p for yr to

30/9/85. spafax tv hides acquired the whole issued share

cap of speak to on 9/1/85. This was in connection with their entry to the usm. Speak to hidge has not traded in the period under review, and

CHANCERY SECURI-

nesses and Thorn EMPs recreation where trading prof-Screen Entertainment subsidits jumped from £7.6 million iary, both of which finally to £17.5 million. Rank went to management Xerox's contribution im-

looked at more than 50 companies of varying sizes over the past year — including Granada and Ladbroke and that many were under review. He put a top price of £200 million on an acquisition and said that Rank would be willing to issue shares but only on the basis of improved earnings.

All of Rank's trading di-

visions — which cover films, holidays, hotels, and precision industries - improved

Industries in the United

A. Hanson director, Mr Martin Taylor, admits that this is still the "phoney war" period in the bid because the Department of Trade has still to decide whether either or

the Monopolies and Mergers

1.224 (7,739), cost of sales 412 (7,121), gross profit 812 (618), pretax profit 405 (286), after administrative expenses 407 (332), tax 81 (25), earnings per

JOSEPH WEBB: Results

for six months to September 30, 1985. Interim dividend

continues to show steady progress. The group has recently launched its scheme

for caravan sales to private owners on selected areas of

its caravan, parks and holi-

share 2.4p (1.9p).

pronounce on

COMPANY NEWS

buyouts.

Sir Patrick said Rank had

£68.4 million.

Rank is now placing increasing emphasis on refurbishment both at cinemas and hotels, together with major investment in up-grading the Butlins centres. Lst year's cinemas admissions at Rank's 79 sites were up by almost half after a four-year plateau, partly be-cause of successful pricecutting midweek in areas of unemployment. No television because of

# Hambro family

both of Imperial's proposed deals should be referred to holds the family's 49.95 per cent stake in the company, said yesterday that it had asked the board of Hambros A decision is expected by the middle of February and the Minister is expected to PLC to put together pro-posals on what to do with the both deals stake, including a possible

There are no competition grounds for referring Hanson's bid, but there is a lobby in favour of referral. one reason being the employment implications of economies which would result at Imperial after a Hanson

Hambros Trust has also asked the board to look at proposals for full enfranchiseshares, giving it nearly 50 per

30. 1985. Interim dividend 0.1313p (same), payable April 11 (figures in £000s), t/over 1.894 (2,410) .Op profit 386 (310) being holidays 272 (202), Prop inv 114 (108), but after depn 233 (218). Interest payable 255 (190). Pretax profit 131 (120), tax 38 (44) eps 0.34p (0.27p). Net rental income continues to show steady cent of the votes in total. not taken part in the City revolution. It has stood back from the wave of change, preferring instead to stick to Bids cleared traditional markets and ways | The following proposed of doing things. Attempts by other merchant banks to form American style investment banking groups by buying stock broking and jobbing firms have been shunned by Hambros.

Sion: Morgan Grennel With Pinchin Denny and Banque Paribas with Quilter Goodison.

# may sell stake

The Hambro family may sell its controlling interest in Hambros PLC, the financial services company which owns the City merchant bank of that name. Hambros Trust,

Hambros Trust said it was concerned about the existing shareholding structure which it said might be a constraint the rapidly changing City. It said that any offer for its shares would go ahead only if it had the approval of the Hambros PLC directors and its senior management.

# lion) which were not up to the best expectations of the stock market. The shares nevertheless rose 4p to 229p. Whisky fall

stitution.

A near third decline in exports of bulk malt whisky - mostly traded with Japan - caused a 2 per cent drop overall in scotch exports last year, the Scotch Whisky Association said. But earnings on scotch exports were a record £994 million.

### Slow payers

More than half the bills owed to small firms are paid late, the Confederation of British Industry has found. More than 60 per cent of 600 companies questioned said standards had worsened in the last 10 years. Big firms were the worst offenders.

The London International Financial Futures Exchange launched dollarmark options and futures contracts yesterday. Liffe plans to add options contracts on the long gilt futures and US Treasmy bond futures contracts by the end of April.

### Domino rise

Domino Printing Sciences, ment of the company's limted voting shares. At the moment, the trust, which is being advised by Phoenix Securities and Cazenove, owns 61.54 per cent of the full voting shares and 3.95 per cent of the limited voting per cent of the limited voting shares giving it nearly 50 per Europe's market leader for the machines sold last year and licences have now been Hambros Bank has so far granted for local manufacture in both the US and Japan.

mergers will not be referred to the Monopolies Commission: Morgan Grenfell with

### The Rank Organisation 1985

	1985	1984
Profit before tax	£13 <b>7.0m</b>	£105.3m
Earnings per share	36.0p	27.7p
Ordinary dividend	15.0p	12.0p
Net debt	£28.3m	£146.1m

The abridged profit and loss account for the year ended 31st October 1985 is an extract from the Report & Accounts which will be filed with the Registrar of Companies upon which the auditors have given an unqualified report.

\* Profit before tax \* Earnings per share \* Dividend



FOREIGN EXCHANGES

the dollar lower against other important currencies yesterday. The pound climbed to 1.4075 (1.4030), after being above 1.41 at one stage.

The trade-weighted index was ahead at 74.6 (74.2), with the pound's value against the mark a little better at 3.3510 (3.3478).

US leading indicators for December rose just 0.9 per cent, against forecasts of above 1.5 per cent, while the the dollar lower against other important currencies yes-terday. The pound climbed to 1.4075 (1.4030), after being

US trade deficit was at the top end of estimates at \$17.37 billion, almost \$4 billion higher than the November figure.

MONEY MARKETS

The calmer spell continued in the money markets, awaiting the Bank surprised the mar-Monday's Opec meeting and ket at the outset with its

The Bank sold £74 million of bills at its midday opera-tions. It also revised its estimate of the shortage to around £400 million comof £150 million.

The Bank sold a further £162 million of bank bills in the afternoon, bringing the total operations to £136

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

### Profit fall at Shell despite record

By David Young **Energy Correspondent** 

Shell Oil, the American subsidiary of the Royal Dutch Shell Group, now wholly owned by the Anglo-Dutch company, has reported record earnings in the last quarter of 1985, but a drop in overall profits for the year. In the final quarter of last year profits were \$652 million (£465 million) \$71 million up on the same

million up on the same period in 1984. Overall profits for 1985 were \$1.60 billion, \$122 million less than the previous year. Mr John Bookout, presi-

dent of Shell Oil, said: "Over the past few weeks there have been exceedingly volatile price movements in the spot and future oil markets. This is a classic price reaction in a period of excess oil supply with both the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) and non-Opec producers struggling to main-

tain their market shares. The long-term implications of this are by no means certain. We have made no fundamental changes to our asset-backed schemes. In the main these are artificially basic strategies or current company structure has been

investment programme."
Shell Oil will spend \$3.9 hillion on new projects this year, with \$3.1 billion of the total earmarked for exploration and development of oil and gas resources within the US and for further acquisitions by the company. Spending on developing oil products will total \$350 million and \$200 million will be spent on the company's US chemical division.

### Weir rises on £9m forecast

stock market yesterday after the group predicted a profit jump from £6.8 million to £9 million for 1985.

The Glasgow-based engineering group released its profit estimate for the 12 months to December 27 in connection with its bid for the neighbouring engineering company, Yarrow.

rose 4/p to 75p on the news. widely spread.

The people who really count are the day-to-day managers

# Beware of the BES big names

Some but not all, of the As the end of the tax year approaches, investors are likely to find they are bombarded hotel and nursing/retirer home schemes fit into this category, as do one or two of the pub ventures. There are variations in degree, but all to some extent are abuses of with Business Expansion Scheme literature aimed at tempting them into parting with their money to claim last-minute tax relief.

This deluge is compounded the BES. The worst abuses bowever, the wine-based schemes, are now almost

by the fact that once you have invested in a BES company you are a marked investor. It is common for sponsors of BES issues to buy forgotten Recent examples of spirit-of-the-scheme companies seeking BES money are the Alan Paul hairdressing scheme, the Frew McKenzie from each other their register of shareholders. The lists cost antiquarian bookshop ven-ture (now closed) and Hitech Lighting (also closed). They only £10 and there is a statutory obligation to supply In view of the impending onslaught, and the lure of are generally in the minority.

Moreover you must remember that a scheme rapidly disappearing tax rewhich shows a marked ablief, it is especially important sence of asset-backing, and for investors to ensure they make the right choice.
A careful investor ought to romises to create a number of jobs, may still be a buge rip off. Many risky but take into account a number of factors in deciding where enterprising company ideas have been ruined by the greed of the sponsors, in to put money. But first you must decide your investment wanting too great a stake at If you want your invest-ment to reflect the spirit of the BES you are likely to want to avoid the substantial much out of the company in

proving a success.

Most investors in BES companies are primarily concerned about the commercial realities, rather than the entrepeneurial aims of the Government's legislation.

the event of the company

bowever from putting a small proportion of their money into these schemes and the rest into the safer propositions.
Indeed many investors put

money into BES schemes, not for any commercial or entrepeneurial reason, but cause the business of the company is one that captures their fancy. This, if you like, indulgence is facilitated by the availability of tax relief.

Looking at the so-called afe, asset-backed schemes,

however, does not mean that you can afford to be hapyou can anord to be nap-hazard in your selection. Many asset-backed schemse fit into the "rip off" category. And asset-backing is by no means a cure-all. You should look carefully at the small print of the prospectus. The material con-

tracts section should provide fairly full details of any commercial arrangements affecting the company and, in particular, those with people actually connected to it. Look at the costs of the issue, the experience and

tbe wary of putting their money in companies where the record sponsor/financial adviser and the directors, and at those options or special shares are who will be involved in the exercisable at the same price company's day to day runas investors have to pay at

Asset-backed companies of There is a fashion for companies to wheel in wellthis nature are to be avoided. There is no reason why investors should bave to take known people who are paid a few thousand pounds to lend their names to a BES company in which they will the risk on a company's su ccess, sponsors/directors should be have precious little involve-ment. Their presence in the able to wait until the race is run before placing their bets. prospectus will normally pro-vide little extra to the success

Last, but by no means least, is the question of the of the business, except in terms of its ability to attract investor'sway out. As the first BES companies approach their fifth year, a number of small shareholders will be It usually requires pains-taking work to sort out the clamouring to get out. intricate incentive arrange-Most prospectuses contain bland statements of inments sponsors and directors allow themselves. These come in the form of share options or "A" shares trig-

tentions when it comes to an investor's choice of exit route. You should bear in mind that only a tiny number of BES companies will get anywhere near the Unlisted Securities Market. gered usually, but not always, by the company achieving a certain level of profitability. In the early days of the BES directors and promoters alike The Over-the-Counter market option should also be were reserving options or share arrangements which all but allowed them to plunder

taken with a pinch of salt The success of an OTC market depends on finding willing buyers. Without tax relief available to the purchasers, markets are likely to be very thin and prices beavily discounted.

The stronger the statement of intentions, the better, but bear in mind that no promises are made. Some companies are only ever intended to

# US pressure grows for lower rates

slower than expected rate of 0.9 per cent last month, fuelling speculation that the Federal Reserve Board will be forced to follow the example of Japan and lower interest rates.

Market analysis appear

Market analysts appear convinced that despite noncommital statements by the Group of Five nations after their London meeting this month, ministers did in fact take a decision to join together in lowering global interest rates.

"There is a strong anticipa-tion that not only are our friends in Japan doing it but that other central banks around the world. West Germany and the United States, will be doing it too." said Mr Martin P. Egli, a senior vice-president of Julius Baer and company in New York He echeed the New York. He echoed the views of many analysts that the G-5 group has become a powerful cluh of nations capable of influencing the world economy.

US Federal Reserve Board officials, who meet in two

The US economy grew at a clined to comment on either

the pattern of recent months. revealing another record trade deficit of \$17.37 billion in December and slower than predicted growth. The (10 per cent gain, although the largest since 1.3 per cent last January, did not match administration predictions of a strong sure in growth at the end of Vast year. In

addition. despite un timated 10 per cent uron the dollar's value against currencies street currencies cur main slack and the 1 deficits continue to grov At the same time, the

Treasury, anticipating continued high deficit in \$200 billion range. nounced another record qu terly financing package. Treasury said it would ra the \$13.2 billion in new eq next week by selling weeks to set annual monitary billion of notes and bonds targets for 1986, bave de-redeem \$9.8 billion.

### Call to encourage worker ownership

By Our City Staff

New tax incentives should be introduced to encourage employee ownership, according to a pamphlet published by the Puhlic Policy Centre.
The authors, Mr Keith Bradley and Mr Alan Gelb. ownership in Britain is insignificant compared with the United States, However, the extension of tax incentives to encourage eployee share ownership should he accompanied by the following , the report says:

created husinesses, where a

wrapped round assets, usually freehold property.

priorities.

 There must be safeguards against the concentration of shares in the hands of Dividends per share were just a few top managers, estimated at 2.875p, up from 2.5 last time, and Weir shares centives unless shares are

 Shares should carry full voting rights and their dissemination among employees requires a change of attitude promoted by a programme of education and a special effort

 Tax incentives should be temporary only and phased out as a scheme matures. Among the benefits of employee share ownership, the Public Policy Centre pamphlet says, is that there should be less pressure for

inflationary wage settlements The present collective bargaining system, in the absence of widespread employee share ownership. breeds such settlements even when there are three million unemployed.

# **Evered Holdings expected** to bid for TI Group

the company if certain profit

levels were achieved. Thank-

fully these have more or less died ont.

Investors in asset-backed

schemes however should be

By Our City Staff

gineering group, has approached a number of City
"heavyweights", including Sir Rockware, the glass making
Peter Parker, the former group. British Rail chief, to become chairman, a move which has fuelled stock market specula-tion that Evered is close to launching a takeover bid for TI Group, the Raleigh bi-cycles to Creda cookers

company. MrRaschid Abdullah, who with his brother Osman runs Evered, said: "We have seen a number of people about coming on to the board, including Sir Peter Parker, but no decision has been taken. It is something you ohviously need to take a lot

Evered Holdings, the en- have to work alongside ahead and hid or release its

Evered has been working hard to polish up its image in the City and has appointed two new directors since last September.

They are Mr John Ford, formerly of Berni Inns, who has become its first finance director, and Mr Roy Kettle, a group managing director of Tarmac, who is on the board in a non-executive capacity.

Meanwhile, Mr Raschid Abdullah said Evered was continuing to keep its options open, and had still made no of care about because you decision on whether to go

shareholding. Mr Ronne Utiger, the TI chairman, said: "I can think of no reason why our price has gone up. There are so many rumours floating around the stock market. But we certainly have had not contact from Evered."

•Fisons,the pharmaceutical group, has made an acquisition which will enable it to manufacture and sell its range of anti-allergy drugs throughout Mexico. Fisons is paying £12 .18 million for Bracco de Mexico, a Mexican pharmaceutical company.

 Aspen Communications is expecting to make a signicant acquisition soon.

# Ladbroke plans £80n shopping area face

Labroke Group, the property, gambling and hotel group, is planning an £80

million shopping develop-ment in the heart of Bristol. City and County Land, Ladbroke's retail property division, wants to redevelop the Broadmead shopping centre with a 300,000 sq ft scheme in partnership with Bristol City Council, which owns much of the land.

The scheme is an attempt to ward off competition from the out-of-town shopping centre planned by the Prudential at nearby Cribbs Causeway.

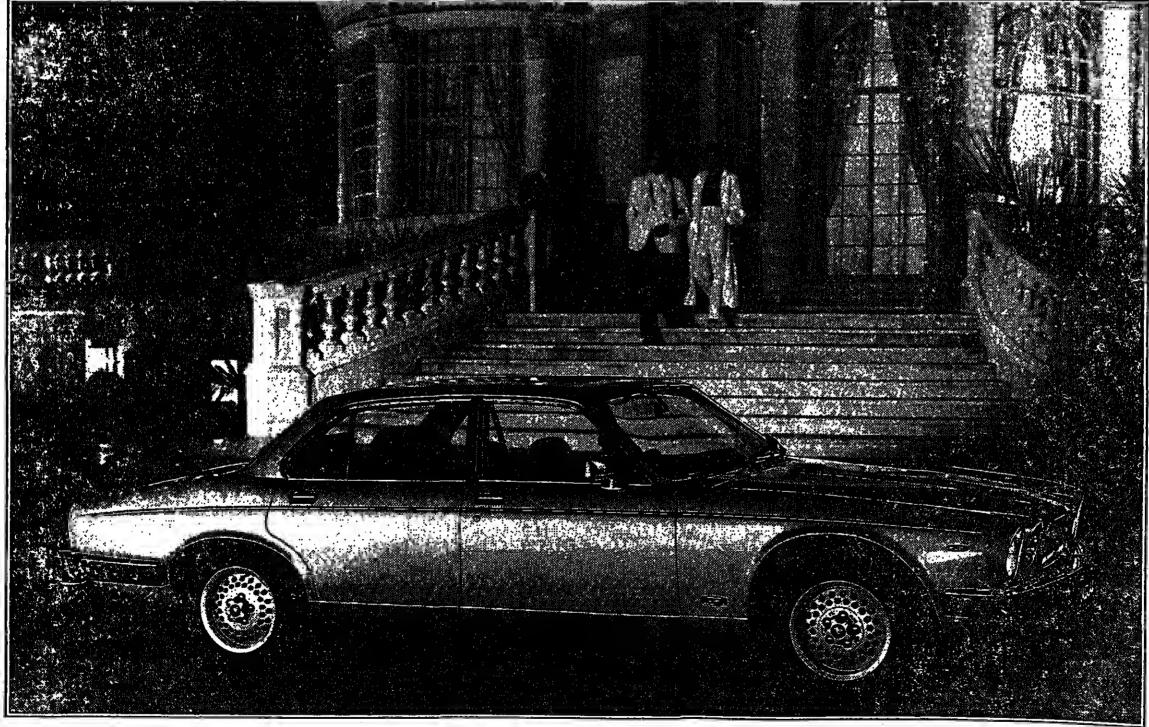
Ladhroke's plans involve huilding a covered shopping centre in a scheme which will cost around £65 million and

£80 million. The c talking to financial tions about the fund possible that some syndicated finance used once the sche under way

It will take three ye complete. Ladbroke has to ohtain planning con for its proposals.

The key will be its emphasis on speciality shopping geared to the fashion market. Large retailers such as Marks and Spencer and Woolworth already have stores in the centre of Bristol, M&S says it will stay in the town centre despite its plans to take a 150,000 sq fi store at Cribbs Causeway on the Prudential

# HOW RICHLY DO YOU DESERVE YOUR 1986 JAGUAR?



Opt for the Jaguar Sovereign, and you'll find its appointments

an accurate reflection of your own achievements. The ambience of hide upholstery. The quiet glimmer of burr walnut on dashboard and doorcappings. The inclusion of air-

conditioning. The philharmonic quality of the stereo system. The authority of a classic six cylinder, fuel injected 4.2 litre engine or the awesome 5.3 litre V12, both producing ample power to minimise driving hazards, and seemingly to diminish every

other vehicle on the road. The uncanny blend of balance and

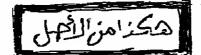
unobtrusiveness in handling. For 1986, we've even managed some refinements. A somewhat lighter interior, employing doeskin pillar trim in place of the black used hitherto. The choice of four distinguished new

exterior colours, with matching coach lines. Headlamp wash/wipe as standard on both models. Etched stainless steel front and rear treadplates. (We make no apology. To a

Sovereign driver, the quality of the treadplates is of importance.) And when you consider that a new Sovereign provides all this at a cost measurably less than that demanded for 'comparable' motor cars, you'll agree that the decision to choose a Jaguar is in itself a laudable feat.

After all, a Sovereign has always been a sound investment. JAGUAR SOMERBION 4.2 (20 7050) JAGUAS SOMERSION VIZ (23 7050) PRICES BASED UPON MANUFACTURER'S RRE AND CHRRECT AT TIME OF GOING TO PRESS INCILIDE SHAT BELTS, CAR TAX AND NAT (DELIVERY, ROAD TAX AND NUMBER PLATES ENTRA)

The legend grows.



Among the financial results for the year, shareholders will be glad to see record earnings per share - 25-6p - and strong cash halances in excess of two hundred million pounds. In fact, everything's up, including — at fast — the share price. I onrho has had a good

The largest financial institution in Japan, Nomura, led a very successful convertible hond issue for Lonrho during 1985. We would like to be among the first British companies to establish stronger links with the great Japanese trading houses in the Pacific basin, and are researching

Opportunities to do so. At the year end, pre-tay profits reached a new high of £158-3 million on a turnover of £2.6 hillion. I and sure that shareholders will join me in appreciation of the sustained efforts Which the Company has made worldwide. The vast majority of Lonrho's enterprises are growing individually, under enthusiastic longterm management. The Contpany welcomes shareholders, who, when they travel, take an opportunity to visit the estates, factories, and hotels of the Lonrho Group, in which they have

invested.

Looking back over the year, I would highlight the excellent market progress of Volkswagen/Audi Audi (U.K.). Sales of vehicles reached one hundred and

twenty thousand. You may be less familiar with the name of Kühne and Nagel, the worldwide handlers and shippers, which has continued to make an astonishing recovery in the five years since joining the Group. The long-standing relationship between Kühne and Nagel and the countries of the Eastern bloc offers Lonrho many potential trading opportunities in future years, as trade between East and West is, in my opinion, on the brink of an expansion. This year saw the

conclusion of Sir Freddie Laker's claim against British Airways and other defendants in an out-of-court settlement in America. The happy association with Sir Freddie, which continues, has been and is of great value to the Group.

Lonrho has successfully led the financing of a 160 million U.S. Dollar development of the Ashanti mine in Ghana, which operates very productively with the strong support and encouragement of the Ghana Government, This input of additional capital will result in a production increase of fifty per cent., to over thirty (housand ounces per month, from one of the richest gold mines

outside South Africa. During the year, the Government of Mocambique invited your Company to study the recommissioning of several large scale agricultural estates, as part of the programme to revitalise the economy. Shareholders will be pleased to hear that the pipeline through Moçambique to Zimbabwe has operated peacefully and profitably through the year, and is now additionally carrying aviation fuel.

The nationalised tea estates in Tanzania were this year all returned to the Company, by a negotiated agreement which the Directors felt to be fair and satisfactory, and are once again under Lonrho management. Expanding in many countries. Lonrho continues to be Africa's largest food producer.

Over the twenty five years during which I have worked for your Company, the policy of continuous development and investment in Africa has proved a happy and rewarding one. in spite of the many forecasts to the contrary. Although Lonrho has expanded into the Americas and in Europe, yours is still the largest and most widely established

African continent. Reports of the various divisions of the Group follow, and outstandingly active sectors have been Hotels and Casinos and Mining and Refining, which I hope you will have the time to read. The Directors look forward to welcoming you at the Annual General Meeting on April 8th - a short film of the varied interests of the Lonrho Group is shown at 11.30 a.m., half an hour before the formal start of the proceedings, and new shareholders may find this a useful introduction.

Company on the

### MINING AND REFINING

For eight successive years we have increased platinum production. Further expansion planned for the end of this year will result in output of platinum group metals of 270,000 ownces, double that of 1981. Operating margins are excellent, and these will be further enhanced by the plant refining rhodium, ruthenium and iridium, and by the copper nickel refinery just completed and now being commissioned. All these increases and improvements have been self-financed

by funds generated from operations. The present scale of platinum mining involves treating over 2 million tonnes



# Lonrho's pre-tax profits of over £158 million are a record for the group

R W Rowland, Chief Executive

of ore per annum and mining 120 acres of hard rock seam less than forty inches thick. In order to do this, twenty one miles of underground tunnels are hlasted annually.

Group gold production has increased 5% to 419,000 ounces, in addition to the expansion at the Ashanti gold mine we are also increasing the production of three mines in Zinthabwe.

The first of two large shaft systems to exploit the extensive gold reserves of Eastern Gold Holdings, the major new mine partnered by the Anglo-American Corporation, has been completed to a depth of 7.400 feet. Production is scheduled for April 1987, and will rise to exceed 400,000 ounces of gold annually. We hold 360% in this important mine.

### **AGRICULTURE**

The results of the Group's seven sugar estates continue to be restrained by the low level of world prices and severe transport problems in Malawi, where two large estates are situated. However, profitability has improved with markedly good performances being recorded by the Swaziland and Mauritius operations.

In Malawi, the tea crop reached 4-6 million kilogrammes during the year, but there was a fall in the price of tea.



In Kenya, sales of wattle extract amounted to over 4,700 tonnes.

Other large-scale farming operations in East Africa are wheat, maize and seed maize crops, soya beans, coffee and coffee warehousing, root vegetables, dairy products and pork. In Zimbabwe alone sales from the herd were nearly 11,000 head of beef cattle. The total herd strength in Africa is now

The farms and estates are so varied and widespread that they experience very different weather cycles, but it is possible to generalise to the extent of saying that rainfall - the critical factor in Africa — has been reasonable to good. We have recently reacquired a majority shareholding in the well-run Mufindi Tea Estates in Tanzania

Kalangwa Estates in ambia was affected by unfavourable weather conditions and the ance of the dairy

### HOTELS AND CASINOS

Major hotels in the popular tourist destinations of Bermuda, The Bahama and Acapulco form the Princess Group, wholly-owned by Lourho. The



strength of the dollar caused some drift of American tourists to Europe this year, but nevertheless profits were excellent at U.S.\$37 million.

The tremors experienced in Acapulco as an effect of the Mexican earthquake did not injure the town or the Princess Hotel materially, and the company was able to assist in relieving hardship in the State of Guerrero by furnishing emergency supplies.

a whole is to invest continuously in nev facilities and up-grading, since our competitor for tourist business is the efficient hotel sector of the



position.

The policy of the Princess Group as United States economy. This year a



major programme began in Bermuda, concentrated on the luxurious Southampton Princess, where all the rooms will be further improved, and restaurants re-designed.

In The Bahamas the Princess Hotel has wholly taken over the management and ownership of the adjoining Casino, and with the energetic direction of Sir Freddie Laker has organised four special rate charter flights a day from the Southern States, which is proving very attractive to tourists. The Casino is designed to attract the fun gambler, and has a huge variety of "State of the Art"

Among hotels belonging to the Metropole Group in the United Kingdom.

Jack Barelay, the well-known dis-tributor of Rolls and Bentleys, did well throughout the year. The distinguished Berkeley Square showrooms continue to be a London landmark for residents and visitors alike.

The Dunon-Forshaw Group distributes British Leyland vehicles and laguar cars, and has now commissioned a number of specialised tocations for the expanding sales and

servicing of Jaguars.
The launch of the SEAT range of cars in the United Kingdom occurred in November 1985 amid very favourable

Agricultural machinery has long been an interest of the Lonrho Group.



### 1985 AT A GLANCE

1984

**£2,586m** £2,367m Turnover Profit before tax **£158.3m** £135.4m

Profit attributable to shareholders

**£67.6m** £55.0m Earnings per share 20.9p 25.6p

Dividends per share 12.0p 11.0p

Cash balances **£211m** £126m

The seventy-seventh Annual General Meeting of Lonrho Plc will be held at the Great Room, Grasvenor House, Park Lune, London, W.I. on Tuesday, 8th April, 1986 at 11.30 a.m.



the London Metropole did best, with record profits. The Birmingham Metropole — by far the largest hotel in the United Kingdom outside the capital
— was host to five hundred conferences, but the lower level of exhibitions during the year at the adjoining National Exhibition Centre somewhat reduced occupancy at Britain's top conference hotel. A new conference centre with the latest . equipment is currently being added, to maintain this dominant

The results of the Casino sector fell short, in part attributable to the closure of Crockford's during the summer months for re-decoration. The directors and management feel that 1986 will be much improved. The ten clubs represent a large share of the United Kingdom casino market, with a combined 'drop' of over £250 million last year.

MOTOR DISTRIBUTION A number of new products were

introduced this year, including a fourwheel drive Quattro option across the entire Audi range, and the desirable 16 valve Golf GT1 and Scirocco. The Group is also sole importer of

MAN and Volkswagen commercial vehicles. Sales of MAN trucks were tifted by 40% compared to 1984. V.A.G (U.K.) achieved a record year in terms of both profit and volume of passenger cars and parts. The company increased its market share to just under 6%, ro maintain its position as the leading importer of

European cars.

Deutz-Fahr is now imported by us to the United Kingdom, and customers are enthusiastic.

At Saville Tractors, the newly acquired Case-I.H. industrial equipment franchise is progressing. In Kenya the Toyota, Mitsubishi truck and Massey Ferguson franchises all took the lead in their particular sectors, with overall sales increased by

Power Equipment in Zambia has won Massey Ferguson's world export award for sales of agricultural equipment. Lonrho continues to be agents and distributors in many countries in Africa for Mercedes Benz, Toyota, Peugeot, Volkswagen, Audi, British

Leyland, General Motors and several

other manufacturers.

PRINTING AND **PUBLISHING** 

Circulation of the 'Glasgow Herald' continued to grow throughout the year. culminating in a record September



The 'Evening Times' also achieved significant circulation increases.

The 'Glosgow Herald' is Scotland's leading quality national daily newspaper and, once again, Outram journalists have won numerous press awards, including "Journalist of the Year" and "Specialist Writer of the Year". The 'Evening Times' also win the "Premier British Newspaper Design Award 1985".

'The Observer' consolidated its position and reputation.

The Group's provincial newspaper company, Scottish & Universal Newspapers, has had a highly successful year, with 18 of its 21 titles showing increases over the previous year.

All divisions of Holmes McDougall performed well, despite continuing

difficult trading conditions. Greenaway - Harrison, the security printers, continue to be the largest printer of Annual Reports and Accounts in the United Kingdom. The Lonrho annual report for 1984 received a merit award from the premier trade magazine

'Printing World'. Harrison & Sons printed the stamps which won, for the third successive year, the "Premier International Philatelic Award" for stamp design and won Italy's "Golden Stamp

Award" for the most beautiful stamp. Following the acquisition of Wiggins Teape Orchard, the enlarged Harrison Decorative Papers is now the largest United Kingdom producer of printed decorative





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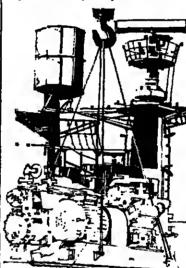
### **ENGINEERING**

he Harrisons - High Wycumbe.

All the companies in the steel processing division of Firsteel earned a return on capital of over 30%. Within the engineering division, Charles Roberts Engineering has introduced a general purpose tanker an

an aircraft refuelling tanker, sales of which augur well for future growth. Tollemache is now established in the field of waste treatment and its conversion into fuel. Lightfoot Refrigeration enjoyed another very profitable year.

The Group's United Kingdom office equipment manufacturer, Sheer Pride, increased turnover and quadrupled



Compressor as supplied in the Royal Navy by Lightfoot Refrigeration — Weinbley.

In Zambia the construction company, Delkins, has just completed an excellent scheme in Kitwe comprising a shopping precinct and residential flats. Vitretex Paints has now entered the export market with sales to Zimbabwe. In Zimbabwe, W. Dahmer and Co. sold their locally manufactured buses and trucks well, with a number being exponed.

WINES AND **SPIRITS** Whyte & Mackay has made sound warly in the international duty free market and has received the first Duty Free Product of the Year Award" at the 1985 Tax Free World

The company has also developed a ten-year old single Highland Mali to Marks & Spencer, Independent research warks of spencer, mackay "Special" as a wesses Whyte & Mackay "Special" as the sixth largest Scotch whisky brand. Whyte & Mackay has been mallected by the industry', current stock surpluses. All three Highland Mali Distilleries have maintained

normal working throughout the year Profits from brench wine interests in Burdeaux and the Loire showed an encouraging improvement over the previous year. A continuing programme to improve the quality and reputation of our wines and to strengthen the marketing organisation throughout the world will yield benefits over the next

tew years. The Group now operates 19 bieweries in partnership with African Covernments and municipalities. producing traditional high protein beer

In Zamhia, the bottling company ( investigating the production of drinks from locally produced truits, in addition to bottling Coca-Cola. The Group also operates three Pepsi Cola



### TEXTILES

Lonrho Textiles has improved further, substantially increasing profits over last year. This has been achieved through a strong retail performance from the company's 250 outlets, trading as Brentfords, Accord and John Wilson, and by increased efficiency in

the factory.

David Whitehead and Sons' operations in the United Kingdom continued to do well with trading profits 29% ahead of last year extending a five year record of profit

David Whitehead in Zimbabwe has had a very successful year helped by a combination of buoyant local demand. increased exports and greater production efficiencies.



In Malawi, David Whitehead increased its export revenue by 123 no with over 11 million metres of cloth being exported to twelve countries.

### KÜHNE & NAGEL

The Kuhne & Nagel Group of companies, operated in partnership with Mr Klaus Kuhne, had another year of excellent performance. Considerable contributions were made by Kuhne & Nagel companies in Europe, Canada, U.S.A. and the Fat East.

Kuhne & Nagel is expanding its network of travel agencies by acquisitions and opening travel offices in a number of countries.

Kuhne & Nagel have intensified their activities in countries where they anticipate an above-average growth of their market share, including China. India, Brazil and Scandinavia, where joint ventures and new offices have been established.

### FINANCE, GENERAL TRADE AND AIRCRAFT

Baumann Hinde, the Group's cotton merchanting company, traded profitably in the face of an unstable market arising out of a large global cotton surplus.

The Group's insurance division. E. Wright, made significant progress in many areas of its business and current trading conditions are good.



had a reasonable year in spite of difficult trading in Nigeria. The Group's property portfolio in the United Kingdom, comprising both residential and commercial property.

has increased to £68 million. Peter J. Hopkinson, the wholesale distributor of bathroom and kitchen equipment, was particularly successful in extending its sale of Philips huili-in kitchen appliances.

Southern Watch & Clock Supplies have increased their market share during the year by providing an enhanced service in the trade. Turnpan in Zamhia, the largest supplier of mining equipment and spare parts to the copper mines, had a good

Lonrho is an agent in several countries for substantial American aircraft manufacturers. Our husiest agency is Beechcraft.

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The text is taken from the Chief Executive Statement and Review of Operations for interest in the Report and Accounts for the year ended 30 September, 1988 which will be published in law February, Course will be available from the Secretary, Londo Ple, Cheupside House, 138 Cheupside, London, ECTI ABI



# New issues market has cost |£30m plan firms millions, says Merrill

The City's new issue market has cost industry millions of pouods because of its inaccuracy and because of the need to give generous dis-counts to existing shareholders in companies raising oew equity capital.

Stanlislas Yassukovitch, an experienced City banker and the London head of Merrill Lynch, New York's biggest brokerage house. And he claims that his opinion is shared by a growing number of British companies.

Mr Yassukovitch predicts that the present system will be one of the principal casualties of the Stock Exchange's forthcoming big bang, and that change will be part of an increasing Amer-Mr Yassukovitch said in an interview with The

Times: Clearly big bang and everything associated with it is designed to produce a securities market that will bear quite a close similarity to the US. It will require an organizational structure and a series of capabilities similar to that required in the US." Chief among those cap-abilities, he argues, will be a new issue system based oo Wall Street lines. He described the British method of raising new equity capital as the next shoe that has to

drop.
The British custom is for the merchant bank arranging a new issue to have it underwritten by investing institutions. That means that they agree to huy any

### 'The UK system does not allow for accurate pricing'

unwanted shares at a special discount, and they also receive a fee for providing this service.

If the shares are being floated for a new company, the price is pitched at a level designed to attract enough investors to take up the issue, so a discount is built in to take account of market fluctuations in the week or so between the prospectus being published and the deadline for applications.

If the shares are being issued by way of rights to existing shareholders, again a discount is offered to tempt those shareholders to add to their stake in the company.

group, is still looking for a

replacement for its chairman,

Mr John Leworthy, whose

death fuelled speculation that

the company could be

Mr Joho Herrin, chief

executive, who has temporar-

ily taken over the chair, said:

people in mind hut no decision has yet been taken."

present standing at 168p,

having fallen from a peak last

year of 24Op. The company

has faced severe pressure on

its margins since one of its

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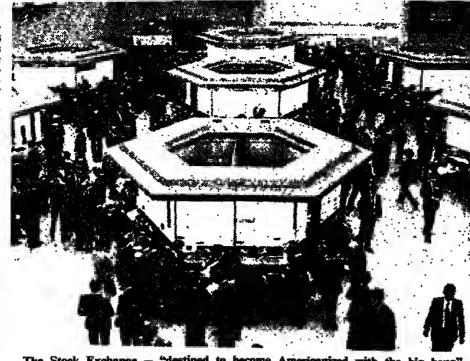
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Crystalate shares are at

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vulnerable to a bid.



Americanized with the big bang' The Stock Exchange

Either way, according to MrYassukovitch, the company is forced to accept a lower price for the shares than it really deserves, so denying it money which would be ploughed into the The system in the UK

does not allow for accurate pricing," said Mr Yass-ukovitch. "New issues, including privatizations, are either grossly oversubscribed or flops. The US system is more accurate and produces higher average prices. The cost to British industry of a significant discount to the market has run into millions over then years. That is a major hurden for UK companies competing overseas.

Like his counterparts in other American securities houses, Mr Yassukovitch has been doing the rounds of British company boardrooms extolling the virtues of the US system of bought deals "red herring" prospectuses, issued in advance so that the issuers can guage market opinion.

Bought deals involve securities houses in bidding for the new shares, which they then distribute to their clients and through the market. The house that makes the highest hid gets the whole Mr Yassukovitch said:

There is a growing pressure from the UK corporate sector

figures (£000): Dividend nil. Turnover 24,254 (22,782). Pre-tax profit 3,333 (3,372). After ioterest 9,985 (7,855). Tax 1,394 (1,527). EPS 8.2p (7,8p).

• MJ GLEESON: The chair-

man told the annual meeting that group turnover for the year to June 30, 1986, may slightly exceed the 1984-85 figure of £61 miltion, but the "work famine" in the public sector would prevent any early return to higher output. So the

return to higher output. So the company is stepping up private sector activities, particularly in

residential estate development

• MARLER ESTATES: Re-

that one of its important customers. IBM, may be on the hrink of placing a substantial order with the company.

ODAEJAN HOLDINGS: Results for the six months to September 30.1985 (£000): Rent and service charges less properly outgoiogs 3,926 (203). Pretax profit 604 (320).

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main customers. British Telecom, began adopting a more rigorous approach to its ordering policy.

However, its prospects are hrighter and there is hope that one of its important customers. IBM. may be on

are beginning to appreciate that the cost is too high and too advantageous to institu-

But that argument holds less water when a company is being floated on the stock market for the first time. The huge queues seen outside Barclays Bank for the launch of Laura Ashley last year were testimony to amount of money that that company had to forgo,

Merrill Lynch has a vested interest in wanting the sys-tem changed to suit them.

As part of that process, he to change the system. They Berrill, chairman of the selves.

Crystalate seeks new chief

Securities and Investment Board, that the SIB will come nearer to the New York Securities and Exchange Commission than many in

the City expect. But Mr

Yassukovitch believes that further legislative changes

will be needed before the

"I do think there are some

system is finally in place.

grounds for arguing that the Financial Services Bill repre-

sents an interim stage," he

said. "There has to be some

legitimate doubt as to

whether self-regulation will

'There is growing

pressure to change

the system'

work. Not because of lack of

integrity, hut because the shape of the market is

changing so quickly and the industry itself is simply not

going to be able to cope with

He shares the widely-held view that British players in

the big bang will require time to make their newly-merged

Brokers, bankers and job-

bers have already found that

it is not easy to work together

without a considerable

amount of adjustment. And

that gives the new American

competitors in the City just

the opportunity they oeed to carve out a niche for them-

of cost assoc with the demerger of a former sub nil (11) expenses of capitalisacon of co

and its subs 30 (8) reorg. And other costs 40 (77) disposal of

inv props incl assoc costs 79 (28 cdt) disposal of the business of Goodman and Sterling (Coventry) 963 (nil) attrib tax 3976 (29).

• MEXICO FUND: Div of 4

cents per share, representing the fund's earnings for the fiscal quarter ended January 30, 1985.

• SOUTHERN BUSINESS

GROUP: In his annual report the chairman, Mr George

Stewart, says high is rel of

activity cootinues, and result-ing expansioo makes him

this year.

• A KERSHAW AND SONS:

● A KERSHAW AND SONS: Final 11p mkg 95p (15p) for yr to October 31, 1985 (£000): Inv income after all charges 34,598 (5,062). Corp tax 84 (121). Profit after tax 34,514 (4,941). EPS 99.22p (14.15p). ● KUNICK LEISURE: Results for the yr ended Sept 30 1985 (£000): Turnover 3,543 (3,117). Trading profit 546 (668). Profit.

Trading profit 546 (668). Profit before tax 1,091 (652). Taxation 286 (284). Extraordinary charges 164 (nil). EPS 1.83p (1.42p).

(1.42p).

M AND G: Yr to 30/9/85. Final 9p mkg 15p (12.5p), pay 27 feb. figs to £000 Turnover 106,899 (86,396). Unit tst management and related activities - revenue 17,585 (12,816) less marketing and commissions 5,805. (3,869) and admin 5,464 (4,331) op profit 6,316 (4,616) assurance activs - Surplus from long term insurance business funds 2,168 (1,739) op profit for group 8,484 (6,355) interest rec and inv income 1,652 (743) pretax profit 10,136

interest rec and inv income 1,652 (743) pretax profit 10,136 (7,098) tax 4,006 (2,436) extraord dbt nil (695) eps 32.93p (25.1p), assets per share 162.55p (136.45p), shareholders funds 30,261 (25.252) turnover represents revenue derived from the issues and sales of units, management and other fees and the premium income of the lone-term insur-

income of the long-term insur-ance business funds. Shares up 15 at 840 after 850.

15 at 840 after 850.

• WIGGINS GRP: 6 months to 30/9/85. figs in £000. Turnover 30.512 (32,148) gross profit 2.659 (3.435) pretax profit 128 (loss 101) after admin expenses 1,908 (2,811) net interest pyble 623 (725) tax cdts 130 (90) eps 2.6p (loss per share 0.1p), all trading divs are expected to contribute positively during the second half and the board will consider the question of a nominal div in the light of the full year results.

• WINTRUST: Six months

• WINTRUST: Six months

• WINTRUST: Six months
to September 30. Innerim
dividend 1.8p (1.6p), pretax
profit £1.441.801 (£1.260.564).
tax £585.815 (£501.041), earnings per share 9.47p (8.33p).
Highly satisfactory trend in
profitability has continued
since half year end.

ofident of further progress

combinations work,

the changes."

can approach point out that it is a cornerstone of Stock Exchange ethics to let existing shareholders have the first chance to buy new shares in their company. Some even argue that in those circumstances it does not matter whether the extra money goes to shareholders or the company, because the shareholders own the com-

It has not been lost on the City establishment that

As Mr Yassukovitch put it. The US houses organized on these lines are going to have a major competitive advantage which will more than compensate for the disadvantages we have - not being indigenous, not having the traditional roots of the domestic operators.

with Sir Kenneth COMPANY NEWS

5.603 (5.456). Figancing charges and other expenses 2,144 (2,636). Pretax profit 7,385 (6.276). Tax 3,000 (2,600). EPS 26.87p (22,64p).

Interim 5p (same). Indications are that full-year pretax profits

BARCLAYS BANK OF BO-

TSWANA is planning a share offer which will place 10 per cent of an increased share capital io the hands of the public. The offer for sale will be for 750,000 oew pl shares

and will be made in the first half of this year.

• IMPERIAL LIFE: New

business issued in 1985 repre-sented a company record with premiums totalling £28.1 mil-lion, an increase of 42 per cent

oo the previous year. Annual premiums increased by 14.5 per cent from £13.5 million to £15.3m, while single premiums

rose 101 per cent from £6.3m

will not be down

# to expand festival garden site

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

Merseyside's Festival Gardens, already a premier tourist attraction that has drawn nearly 4 million vis-itors so far, is likely 10 become part of a leisure development stretching from New Brighton across the viersey to the garden festival

Theme park attractions such as pleasure rides are 10 be added 10 the garden festival site at a cost of around £30 million under a development plan. Negotiations are at an

dvanced stage for operation and development of the garden festival site by ransworld Leisure which together with the recently-formed New Brighton Development Company is involved in a £65 million renewal scheme for the faded Victorian resort of New Brighton.

A 40-acre seafront theme park and a covered water park are included in the New Brighton plan. The scheme, announced last autumn, is expected to create at least .000 full-time jobs with as many again on a part-time basis.

When Merseyside Develop ment Corporation started looking for a commercial operator for the garden festial Mr John Anton, manag ing director of Transwork Leisure, saw the chance of building the Liverpool festi-val into the overall plan to attract particularly families in search of a day ont from a wide area of England and If Transworld is selected to

run the garden festival site, as low looks likely, some of the theme attractions at present planned for New Brighton are likely to be switched to the Liverpool side of the Mersey

The original New Brighton plan called for an opening of the new attractions there by early 1989. The New Brighton scheme, which has ontline planning permission from the Wirral local authority, will be split into a number of development packages, each attracting its own funding.

Although EEC grants can be expected Transworld will be looking for investment participation at a time when the City has been showing increasing oervousness over leisure developments.

### APPOINTMENTS

London & Scottish Marine Oil: New directors are Sir Alistair Frame and Mr George Naylor (oon-exec-Crystalate, the electronics • WAGON FINANCE (3,456). Surplus on sales of Tax 201 (78). EPS 1.88p roup, is still looking for a CORPORATION: Full-year property and other income (1.87p) extraord items consist placement for its chairman, figures (£000): Dividend nil. 5,603 (5,456). Figures of cost assoc with the demerger Mr Norman Davidson Kelly (executive). LeisureTime International:

Mr J.E.A. Kidd becomes a non-executive director. Chambers & Fargus: Mr P.B. Furness is to succeed Mr D.F. Tuncliffe as manag-

Northern Engineering Industries: Mr Terry Harrison becomes executive chairman on Sir Duncan McDonald's retirement in May, when Mr Graeme Anderson and Mr Larry Tiudale are to become deputy chairmen. Sir Donald Maitland has been made a

non-executive director.

ing director.

Wight Collins Rutherford Scott: Mr Tim Breene has been made a director. McCorquodale: Mr J.L. Wood and Mr P.J. Holloran

are to succeed Mr Alastair McCorquodale and Mr J.L. Wood as chairman and chief executiv Asda-MFI: Mr Derek Hunt, chairman of MFI, has

been made group chief exec-utive and deputy chairman. Mr John Hardman continues as managing director of Asda, and is appointed a deputy chairman. Mr Edward Lea succeeds Mr Derek Drew as group finance director.

### In brief

• UNION DISCOUNT: Interim dividend 26p (26p) making 37p on increased capital (37p) for 1985.(figs in £000). Group profit L127 (7.941). after providing for rebate and tax. Stockholders published funds stand at £66.407.000 (£54.638.000). Total current assets at December tal current assets at December 31 approximately £2,709 mil-lion (£3,055m)

 TRUSTEE SAVINGS
BANK SCOTLAND is taking
over one of the main estate
agencies North of the Border in a £9 million deal, it was announced. The deal to make Slater Hogg and Howison, which has 19 outlets, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the bank, was signed in Edinburgh.

world to be used as an economic weapoo if non-Opec oil producers — such as Britain — refuse to cooperate. fran has long had an export contract with the Coventry plant run by Peugot, and Nigeria has under review several important capital projects in which British construction groups have

Opec set for economic

battle with West

the oil producers' cartel the

Arah Gulf states and Nigeria are significant importers of

tran's new oil minister has

led the call for import contracts with the Western

British products.

Opec is paying \$1 billion more a year than it did in Dr Fadhil Chalabi, the acting general secretary of 1983 in interest payments Opec, said that during 1984 alone to the Western finan-Opec had "stoutly and singlecial system, much of it coming to London, and next handedly" attempted to defend the world oil price. month it will seek ways of

large stakes.

trimming that bill.
Potentially worrying for "Despite widespread scep-ticism in the oil industry

Britain is the suggestion that the Opec countries should a price collapse by strictly restrict their imports. Among adhering to its decisions on a price collapse by strictly adhering to its decisions on production and pricing", be

> Despite these sacrifices the North Sea producers ignoring Opec appeals for cooperation and dialogue, continued to produce at maximum capacity and continue to sell as much oil as possible at prices struck at the very foun-dations of Opec's precariously halanced

"It was against this background to the oil scene that 1984 ended. This picture is likely to remain the same in the years immediately ahead unless and until there is a general recognition of Opec's standpoint that market stability is in the interests of all producers, and that the price of that stability should be paid by all who benefit from it and not by Opec alone."

### YOUR OWN BUSINESS -

### London Bicycle in top gear for shops expansion

By Rebecca Eliahoo

Even with world oil de-mand trimmed to the bone

and all 13 member countries

of the Organization of Petro-

leurn Exporting Countries selling much less oil than a

decade ago, their combined revenue from 18 million barrels a day is considerable.

For that reason there is

little sympathy among the Western public for Opec when it complains about its

members' financial position.

However, next month

Opec will be concentrating on

how it can keep its revenues up and will be forcibly pointing out to the Western countries what they stand to

lose if Opec's revenues col-

Thirteen years ago, Mr Michael Dickson, a young insur-ance underwriter left the City to start his own bicycle rental company, much to the sur-prise of his friends, including Mr Peter Landau, a broker who also left his job the following year to become co-founder with Mr Dickson of the London Bicycle Com-

The only reason I joined Michael", says Mr Landau, was that he assured me I would be a millionaire by the time I was 30.He was grossly wrong".

None the less, annual turnover from the London Bicycle Company's two shops has now passed the £1 million mark and a venturecapital company, Baronsmead, Associates, re-

cently made available £175,000 to the partners under its Business Expansion Scheme. In the next couple of years, the partners hope to open

four more company-owned bicycle shops as well as four franchised shops within a 50-mile radius of London. The Designers Fitch and Company is working oo a retail concept for the company to cover interior and exterior design, packaging and graphics. The London Bicycle Company stores will then sell

signed cycling clothes. Mr Dickson says: "We'll give each franchisee a week to learn about the hike trade, a week to learn about the

everything from accessories

products and two weeks working in one of our shops.
Then they will be monitored over six months to iron out any problems." Messrs Dickson and Lan-

dau learnt the bicycle husiness the hard way. In the early 1970s, a bicycle cost about £30 to buy and the partners let them at 75p a day, until they realized that people wanted to borrow bicycles only at the weekend. At this early stage they had losses of £8,000.

By the glorious summer of 1976, they had managed to started selling bicycles as a a bright red-and-yellow sideline. Their turnover had layout for their two shops.



decided to commission their own range of bicycles from British manufacturers. Their Londoner hicycles now account for more than half the firm's sales. Manufacture is put out to tender every year to companies such as T. L. The difference between the

London Bicycle Company and most of the small high street bicycle shops is in approach. The partners view their work as a husiness rather than as a hobby; they are marketing-led rather than product-led. Three years ago they commissioned some research into what customers did and did not like about bicycle stores in general and used this to brief The extricate themselves from used this to brief The their difficulties and had Creative Business to produce

launched the stores with a PR company and were lucky because there was a Tube strike and London Transport doubled its fares. It was the perfect time for selling bicycles. But to expand further, the company needed Raleigh, Dawes and Elswick more money.

"We had started with £250

Mr Dickson says:

and had built up the business by trying to get banks to lend us money," says Mr Dickson. "We reckoned the whole market was there for the taking and set off to the City, having constructed a good business plan with our accountants". As a small business, the

company had always been restricted to high street banks for finance. Their husiness plan opened doors and allowed them to reach a high scale of finance by talking to senior people in City firms.

So the company will al-the exchange rate in the market or the chosen thresh-

old. The Hambros fee de-

pends on the period of cover

(which can be up to a year)

and the threshold chosen. If the tender is successful the

client surrenders the option

to Hambros. The bank makes

its profit over a large number

Because we developed it

of such deals

# Hambros cover for exports

lead to contracts. Under the

Despite the sophistication of the currency markets, small exporters still face a risk when tendering for a contract in another currency

Between submitting the tender and being awarded a cootract - often a period of several months - the equivalent sterling value can fluc-tuate wildly, and profit margins can disappear.

Hambros Bank this week lannched a new service to help small and medium-sized companies deal with this problem. For tenders between \$100,000 (£71,428) and \$2 million the scheme, called EXTRA, provides foreign exchange cover for dollar tenders.

Up until now it has been possible to hedge such tenders using the currency options markets but for this a full fee has been payable even when such tenders did not

Hambros system, about half of the initial charge is refundable if the tender is unsuccessful. In cases when the tender leads to a contract, traditional forms of cover such as options can theo take The EXTRA service was

devised by Mr John Heywood, a Hambros director, in response to his clients' problems, especially last when the dolllar moved in a range between 1.03 and 1.49 against sterling. "One of our customers put it 10 us beautifully last year. He said there were only two risks with a contract, one he didn't threshold chosen by

with a contract, one he didn't get il and the other he did." Mr Heywood said. Now the EXTRA contract will provide the cash difference in the event of any fall in the dollar beyond an exchange rate client, with Hambros' advice.

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in response to what the customers want, we have not fallen into the trap of developing something which is intellectually satisfying but ofno practical use," Mr Heywood said. To start with the service is only for dollar tenders but other currencies may be introduced at a later

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fou are advised not to complete this Application Form until you have read the information on Wellcome ple and full details of the Offer contained in the Offer document dated 29th January, 1986 (the "Offer document"), which comprises published listing particulars with regard to the Company in ended to consult your bank manager, stockbroker, licensed dealer, acc accordance with The Stock Exchange (Listing) Regulations 1884. Copies of the Offer document can be obtained from the addresses shown herein. If you are in any doubt shout what you should do, you are strongly recomm solicitor or other professional adviser. It is one of the terms and conditions of the Offer that in making an application you are not relying on any information or representation in relation to Wellcome plc or

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3. By completing and delivering an Application Form, you (as

(i) offer to acquire from the Company and/or the Wellcome Trustees the number of Ordinary shares specified in your Application Form for such smaller number for which the application is accepted) at a price of 120p per Ordinary share (the "Offer price") and on the terms and subject to the conditions set out herein and in the Offer document and subject to the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company;

(ii) authorise Midland Bank plc to send one or more Letters of Acceptance for the number of Ordinary shares for which your application is accepted and/or a crossed cheque for any moneys returnable, by post, at the risk of the person(s) entitled thereto, to your address (or, in the case of joint applicants, that of the first named applicant) as set out in your Application Form and to procure that your name (together with the name(s) of any other joint applicant(s)) is/are placed on the register of members of the Company in respect of such Ordinary shares the entitlement to which has not been

(iii) agree that, in consideration of the Company and the Wellcome Trustees agreeing that they will not, prior to 22nd February, 1986, sell any of In the Ordinary shares the subject of the Offer to any person other than by means of the procedures referred to in the Offer document, your application cannot be revoked until after 21st February, 1986 and that this paragraph shall constitute a collateral contract between you and the Company and the Wellcome Trustees which will become binding upon despatch by post to, or in paragraph of armitications delicensed by hard receipt by Midland Bank ries of in respect of applications delivered by hand, receipt by, Midland your application

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(v) agree that any Letter of Acceptance and any moneys returnable to you may be retained by Midland Bank ple pending clearance of your remittance:

(vi) agree that all applications, acceptances of applications and contracts sulting therefrom under the Offer shall be governed by and construed in accordance with English law;

(vii) warrant that, if you sign an Application Form on behalf of somebody else, you have due authority to do so:

(viii) confirm that in making your application, you are not relying on any information or representation in relation to the Company or its subsidiaries other than such as may be contained in the Offer document and you accordingly agree that no person responsible solely or jointly for the Offer document or any part thereof shall have any liability for any such other information or

fix) agree that, in respect of those Ordinary shares for which your application has been received and is not rejected, notification to The Stock Exchange of the basis of allocation shall constitute acceptance of your application on that basis:

(x) warrant that you are not acting in concert with any other person or persons in relation to this application with a view to any one person, or persons acting in concert with that person, acquiring beneficially more than 21,070,000 Ordinary shares as a consequence of allocations made pursuant to the Offer and that no other application is being made by you for your own account or by another on your behalf for such purpose or, if you are applying as agent or nominee of another, that other person is not to your knowledge acting in concert with any other person or persons as aforesaid;

(xi) warrant that you are not a US person (as defined in paragraph 6 below) and are not applying on behalf of, or with a view to resale to, a US

(xii) agree that the Wellcome Trustees are offering the shares being sok by them in their capacity as the present trustees of The Wellcome Trust (but not otherwise) and on the basis that their obligations shall be enforceable against the trustees of The Wellcome Trust from time to time and shall be binding upon the assets of The Wellcome Trust and that the liabilities of such trustees under or in consequence of the Offer or the sale of any of the Wellcome Trustees' Ordinary shares to you shall be limited to such liabilities as can lawfully be met out of the net assets of The Wellcome Trust for the time being nds or under their control and that in addition any liability shall be limited to the amount of the Offer price of the Ordinary shares sold to you and interest thereon ot Midland Bank plc's published hase rate from time to time to the date of payment; and

(xiii) agree that any contract made by acceptance (whether in whole or in part) of any application shall constitute a separate contract for the purchase or subscription of each of the offered Ordinary shares, and these terms and conditions shall be construed accordingly.

conditions shall be construed accordingly.

4. The basis of allocation will be determined by Robert Fleming & Co. Limited ("Robert Fleming") in its absolute discretion after consultation with S. G. Warburg & Co. Ltd., Baring Brothers & Co., Limited and the Company. An applicant may be allocated Ordinary shares sold by the Wellcome Trustees and/or new Ordinary shares issued by the Company as Robert Fleming may in its absolute discretion determine. In addition to the application of the provisions of paragraph 3txii) above, in accordance with normal principles of English law, the remedies available to persons contracting with the Wellcome Trustees in relation to Ordinary shares sold by the Wellcome Trustees may differ from the remedies available to those contracting with the Company in differ from the remedies available to those contracting with the Company in relation to new Ordinary shares issued by the Company. There is no maximum in respect of the number of Ordinary shares for which a single application may in respect of the number of Crimany snares for which a single application may be made, but the right is reserved to reject in whole or in part or to scale down, any application including multiple or suspected multiple applications. In particular, Robert Fleming has undertaken with the Wellcome Trustees and the Company that without the consent of the Company it will not knowingly permit more than 21,070,000 Ordinary shares in be allocated in any person or persons appearing to it to be acting in concert pursuant to the Offier and your attention is drawn to the warranty in paragraph 3(x) above.

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Offer and the US Employee Offering referred to in section O under "Additional information" in the Offer document. From this number, all applications received in respect of the Matching Offers, the US Free Offer and the Coopers Animal Health Inc. Special Offer referred to in the above mentioned section O will be met in full. The remaining reserved shares will be allocated to Preferred Applicants who make applications therefor on special forms provided for them, subject to the applicable limit on the number of Ordinary shares that may be allocated to an individual on a preferential basis (as described in the above mentioned section O) and subject to scaling down in the event of over-application. The basis of affocation to Preferred Applicants under the Offer and the US Employee Offering will be the same, save that US applicants may not be allocated in aggregate more than 42,800,000 Ordinary shares. may not be allocated in aggregate more than 42,800,000 Ordinary shares.

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6. No person receiving a copy of the Offer document or the Application Form in any teninory other than the UK may treat the same as constituting an invitation or offer to him, not should be in any event use such form, unless in the relevant territory such an invitation or offer could lawfully be made to him or such form could lawfully be used without contravention of any registration or other legal requirements. It is the responsibility of any person outside the UK wishing to make an application under the Offer to satisfy himself as to full chargeness of the loop of one relevant territory in contract the same of the loop o full observance of the laws of any relevant territory in connection therewith including the obtaining of any governmental or other consents which may be required and compliance with any other formalities in such territory, and to pay any transfer or other taxes requiring to be paid in such territory in respect

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1 Insert in Box 1 (in figures) the number of Ordinary shares for which you are applying. Applications must be for a minimum of 200 Ordinary shares or in one of the following multiples:

for more than 200 shares, but not more than 500 shares, in a multiple of 100 shares

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for more than 5,000 shares, but not more than 20,000 shares, in a multiple of 1,000 shares

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for more than 50,000 shares, in a multiple of 10,000 shares. 2 Put in Box 2 (in figures) the amount of your

3 Sign and date the Application Form in Box 3. The Application Form may be signed by someone else on your behalf (and/or on behalf of any joint applicant(s)) if duly authorised to do so, but the power(s) of attorney must be enclosed for inspection. A corporation should sign under the hand of a duly authorised official whose representative capacity must be stated. See note 7 for other joint applicants.

4 Put your full name and address in BLOCK CAPITALS in Box 4. See note 6 for other joint applicants.

5 You must pin to the completed Application Form a separate cheque or bankers' draft for the full amount payable. Your cheque or bankers' draft must be made payable to "Midland Bank plc" for the amount payable on application and should be crossed "Not Negotiable".

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Applications may be accompanied by a cheque drawn by someone other than the applicant(s), but any moneys to be returned will be sent by crossed cheque in favour, and to the address, of the person named in Box 4.

6 You may apply jointly with up to three other If you do so you must then arrange for the Application Form to be completed by or on behalf of each such joint applicant.

Their full names and addresses should be put in BLOCK CAPITALS in Box 6. Letters of Acceptance in the names of joint applicants will be sent to the applicant named in Box 4.

7 Box 7 must be signed by or on behalf of each joint applicant (other than the first applicant who should

sign in Box 3 and complete Box 4). If any person is signing on behalf of a joint applicant, the power of attorney must be enclosed for inspection.

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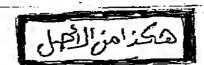
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# A home from home for the silent few

The Vice Chancellor of Warwick University, Dr Clark Brundin, who chairs Anchor Housing, said: "Between 1950 and the year 2000, the number of retired records will have risen from people will have risen from 6.7 million to 10.1 million. It's a phenomenal change in

By no stretch of the imagination is enough pro-vision being made for this change. Anchor and its associated organizations have between them built 20,000 sheltered homes for older people, but the funding of such schemes is beoming more and more difficult. The trouble, says Michael Corp, group director of Anchor, is that the old simply are not and never could be effective lobbyists in their

"They are less physically active; they are oot economically active and politically they are not a coherent More money is essential, group." Because the voices of he says. If it is not forthcom-

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interest groups in the there is a tendency for those in power to make sympa-thetic noises, but to procras-

practical measure There seems to be no lack of goodwill, hut a marked deficiency of political will. Perhaps, as a past chairman of Anchor put it, this is because housing is never "critically urgent - unlike appendicitis, a Falklands war, or a miners' strike, things can usually go on a bit longer.

"There is a chain of deprivation", says Michael Corp. "Old housing in poor condition is more likely to be compiled by old people and

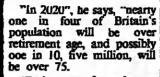
occupied by old people and poor housing has an effect on their health and their ability

the old are by and large not ing, the results will show up heard — and are certainly not backed hy anything like the political clout that other sector provision through local ing associations, funded as we are by the Housing Corporation, is subject to a careful downward spiral of funding

> New commitments to public sector sheltered housing in the coming year will be the lowest ever, and this means that in two years time, less sheltered housing will bebuilt than for many years past."
> Nor, he believes, will

private-sector developers be able to take op the slack, despite the recent boom in retirement housing.

Dr Brundin believes that if we do oot get to grips with the problem of the elderly sooo we may, quite literally, live to regret it. If the years up to the turn of the century look daunting, he forecasts that the following 20 years will see even greater changes.



"Each one of us has a vested interest in growing old," says Dr Brundin, "and housing is central in the life

# THE ANCHOR FAMILY

The organizations are: Anchor Housing Association builds sheltered bousing for rent. It operates through-out England and has a strong regional presence with offices in Altrincham, Merseyside, Newcastle upon Tyne, Brad-ford, Nottingham, London, Bath, Birmingham.

•Guardian Housing Associ-ation builds sheltered housing for sale and is a subsidiary of Anchor Housing Association with which it shares the same voluntary board.

Anchor Housing Trust investigates new ways in which the housing needs and probleus of older people may be Anchor family.

There are three sister organizations: Bield Housing Association, Corlan Housing Association and Fold Housing Association which carry out similar work to Auchor in Scotland, Wales and North-







Anchor people: Mr and Mrs Symmonds relax in their Anchor home in Vanxhall Bridge Road; Mrs Norfolk at the cooker in bedsit; Michael Corp (left), group director; and a resident at Highfield House, Bradford

# Soothing the anxieties

The elderly can occasionally be surprisingly ruthless in their attitudes to others. There is a strong feeling among tenants in Anchor flats that any tenant who becomes seriously ill should be moved completely away from the sheltered accom-

modation. University of East Anglia sociologist Graham Fennell, whose survey of more than 800 tenants on Anchor schemes will be published later this year, got a very strong response to the question: "What should happen to tenants who become very poorty?

Nearly half said that the very poorly tenants should be moved from the sheltered accommodation. They should not stay in their flat, nor eveo be moved to a flat in a special wing.

Replies to a supplementary question: "How does Anchor treat tenants who are very poorly?" produced an important response, oot so cent of the Anchor tenant much in the majority opinion population - smaller than that Anchor was "very good to them" as for the 38 per cent who replied, "Don't

that to any other question genuinely don't know be- says Richard Bettesworth.

cause the issue has not arisen director of the Anchor Hous during their tenancy, but the response also suggests

degree of uneasiness."
Mr Fennell says that although it was a potentially distressing subject, the researchers felt they had to probe further to find out if tenants were worried about

One not uncommon anxiety is that the sheltered housing tenants may be more vulnerable to being moved on than if they had stayed at home, simply because the warden is by the nature of her job, well-connected with the health and social services bureaucracy. Nearly a third were anxious they would not

be able to manage.

Anchor researchers last year took a closer look at tenants who had moved on to further care over a three-month period. They turned out to oumber 100 tenants which, extrapolated over a full year, would be 2.4 per population - smaller than would normally move from the geoeral "elderly" popula-

We also found that the "This very high don't age at which people are know response far exceeds moving from sheltered housage at which people are ing into further care is oo and this is significant," says average about 84 which, Mr Fennell. "Many tenants again, is significantly higher,"

So, on those two grounds alone, the researchers have surmised that hiving in sheltered housing does defer, if not prevent totally, the need for many people to move oo into further care."

Of the 100 who made a mental deterioration.

The indications seem to be says Mr Bettesworth, that the physical handicaps and disabilities of elderly tenants can be coped with more easily than the problems of mental deterioration.

"it's oot that the old lady mental deterioration needs a lot of active treatment or help, but she does need a lot of watching."

Mr Bettesworth says that Anchor is very aware of the fear that tenants have of becoming incapacitated to the extent that they may have to leave the sheltered hous-

capacity to offer a home or a facility to every Anchor tenant who becomes too frail to stay in sheltered housing. I think it is within our capacity to be able to tell them very clearly what is on offer within their neighbourhood and in that way, try to reduce the degree of worry about the future."

# Schroder Investment Management

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# Cold facts of shelter in a bleak climate

had a devastating effect on the hnusing association movement as a whole and Building programmes are having to be cut back having to be cut back radically and new sources of finance sought.

Four basic types of accommodation are on offer sheltered housing for rent, accommodation for the frail elderly who need high levels of care and both subsidized and unsubsidized sheltered housing for sale. Each is financed in a

different way and the first three are particularly vulnerable to government econo-

• Sheltered bousing for rest: In the current financial year, which ends in April, Anchor expects to spend about £20 million. Of that about 80 per cent will be in the form of a grant from the Housing Corporation and 20 per cent will be long-term martgages (repayment mortgages spread over at least 40 and sometimes up to 60

The money from the corporation is an outright grant with no repayment and sidized through the Housing no interest. (The only money Corporation, but there is now

redemption - rents rise nver a period of time in line with inflation but the mortgage interest charge is fixed, so the probability is that even with rising management costs there will be a surplus. That is repayable to the Treasury through a 100 per cent

The programme is decreas-ing because of the severe cuts in government finance through the Housing Corporation. In national terms the number of new projects approved for 1986-87 will be reduced by 25 per cent on the current year. The tntal has been going down steadily over the past five

This year Anchor is building about 500 units, five years ago it was 2,500; and in 1986-87 it could well halve

• Frail elderly schemes: Anchor has three existing schemes - at Bradford, Birmingham and Milton Keynes which provide for people too frail to be accommodated in conventional sheltered housing

These have been sub-

The progressive tightening of that goes back into the public great uncertainty about fund-government purse strings has purse is the so-called grant ing in this area, particularly ing in this area, particularly for the type of schemes Anchor is now planning full-scale, purpose-built
projects aimed exclusively at
the frail elderly.
Anchor is already working

on five such schemes and making the assumption that few of the schemes will be subsidized. The value of the programme in hand is about £5 million a year and Anchor is working on the assumption that it will have to be paid for by a combination of building society loans and

Charity money.

The present breakdnwn is 75 to 80 per cent building society loans, up to 20 per cent charitable funds and 5 per cent from other sources such as area health authori-

The running costs of these schemes and the mierest repayments on the building society money are crucially dependent on the amnunt which the Government is prepared to give to individual tenants by way of Depart-ment of Health and Social Security "board and lodging" payments.

These used to be dis-



Putting support into practice: Richard Bettesworth, director of Anchor Housing Association, and Caroline Cayzer, manager of Appeals and Funding

Government abolished discretion and set a limit of £110, upgraded to £120 in November. This parsimony has very nearly wrecked programmes but Anchor has decided to go ahead, relying more on charity money and hoping that the limit will be raised again soon.

Subsidized sheltered

housing for sale: In the current year about £4 million will be spent. Of that, 70 per cent would come from the owner-occupier who is buycretinnary and ran at np to ing the unit and 30 per cent £140 a week. But in 1984 the by way of housing corporaing the unit and 30 per cent

exploit a market sector and I

think we'd be very worried

venture for the proprietors."

Ironically,

tion grant. Most sheltered housing for sale nn the open market is in the £30,000-plus

The object of the subsidy is to make sheltered housing available to the less well off who may have a house of their own to sell but are probably only going to raise £25,000 to £30,000 on that property. The deal gives the buyer a 70 per cent equity stake. On resale 70 per cent of the increase in the value goes to the owner.

> Unsubsidized sheltered housing for sale: A private

developer builds sheltered housing and sells it on the npen market. The Guardian Housing Association takes on the long-term management, This programme is probably running at about £15 million

at present.
The incoming buyer pays
100 per cent; for that he or she gets a lung-term lease from Guardian which is the

freehold nwner.
Officials such as Richard
Bettesworth, director of the Anchor Hnusing Association, find they are being stretched in the full to enme up with schemes that will allow Anehor in operate at a reason-

able level. The need hasn't changed," he says, "but the ability to finance it through public funding has changed dramatically.

To try to make up at least part of the cuts in public funding. Anchar is now going direct to industry with a scheme called "Anchor and Commerce in Partnership", is aimed at companies which want to look after their own pensioners but dn not

know how in do so. Anchor suggests that if the companies will put up the loan finance for one (or more) sheltered flats, it will provide accommodation for rent hy one (or more) of the company's pensioners at nne of the Anchor developments. Anchor gets development finance and in return the company has the right to place a pensioner in Anchor flat of its chnice.

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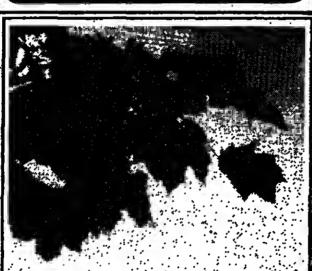


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# A close watch on cowboy operators

There are a lot of well- two or three years there have work with building society independence of its elderly tenants is threatened by sidential care for the frail people who have decided to sidential care for the frail people who have decided to sidential care. meaning people providing residential care for the frail elderly. There are also more than a few rogues. The frail elderly need a lot of help to by a residential home that get through the basic rontines was trying to exploit a market of everyday life - from getting sector down at £120 a week. 1 out of bed and dressing to hate to think what's going nn preparing meals - so they are to make that a profitable

particularly vulnerable.

The substantial rise in Department of Health and Government's change of Social Security rates for rules on the board and loding board and lodging in the early 1980,s - when dispayments nearly wrecked Anchor's plans. There has been uncertainty about just cretionary payments of £130 to £140 or even mnre a week were quite common - started a boom in private residential care for the frail elderly.

Businessmen, who had to cover mortgage payments and running costs out of their client's (usually DHSSbacked) payments, found that in practice many DHSS offices would stump up

whatever they asked. The quality of what was provided ranged from small, almost loving, family homes to homes where residents were cynically exploited. Anchor, which had begun to look for an expanding role

in this specialized area felt that there was a strong need both of management and care and of financial probity. The need has become even greater. In 1984 the Govern-

board and lodging payments and imposed a limit of £110 what may be going on in society mortgages. Then there some of the homes set up by was the sharp cutback. At "cowboy" operators. "There's £110 a week we had no little doubt that over the last chance of making schemes

(raised to £120 in 1985).

payments. ment stopped the dis- at this, figures of about £130 cretionary element of DHSS to £140 a week and more were regularly being paid around the country." Mr Corp says. "Therefore it Michael Corp, group direc- appeared that we could make tor of Anchor, is concerned at the thing work with building

how much will be available from now on and particularly for the kind of full-scale purpose-built projects aimed exclusively at the frail el-Mr Corp expects about six projects, together providing

If it were to plan ahead with any confidence, Anchor had to assume there would be little public money available for such schemes and that it would have to rely on mortgage finance and charity money. That meant, like private sector operators, it would largely depend on the DHSS board and lodging

accommodation for about

200, to be operational within

two years.

"When we started looking

taking the risk to continue to develop the schemes in the belief that that sum will go up again sometime in the not too distant future, and be-

make it work for certain but

we've decided that it's worth

eause we're receiving substantial charity support." As part of its efforts to gauge how the needs of the elderly are changing and may ehange in the next decade or two. Anchor has also commissioned research into

the extent to which the

The researcher, a GP with a special interest in geriatrie medicine, looked in detail at 60 tenants in two London

Altogether 18 were regarded as "housebound" (unable to go out for an appreciable period of time); 19 were elassed as "incontinent"; and 13 were found to be "mentally impaired" to the extent that their daily living abilities

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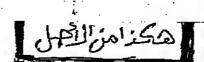
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University team hved alone

Three-quarters were either

on supplementary benefit or

£300; and six in 10 had chronic medical conditions

five had central heating about one in 100 applicants

lived in houses that lacked

Mr Corp believes the

but the rules of the game

have been changing. The original experiment in Man-

chester taught Anchor that

the ideal combination was a

local authority improvement

grant topped up with an

There was a boom in

grants in the early 1980s. The

grants in the early 1906. It is trouble is the money was not going to the elderly; it went largely to the young, professional middle-classes who

used it to "gentrify" prop-

The Government cut back

with a vengeance. "Inevitably

grant money is greatly reduced," says Mr Corp.

will be a loosening once more

Mrs D., 79, a widow for six years, is

sticks outside. Her property was in a

verted into a downstairs WC, windows

and guttering were repaired and central heating was installed. This and other

work on rewiring, etc.cost £6,762.

Anchor arranged a mortgage to cover the sum. Because Mrs D had less than

£100 savings, the cost of the mertgage

interest was paid by the DHSS.

bad state of repair.

arthritic in both knees and walks with

Ultimately, he thinks, there

interest-only mortgage.

one of the basic amenities

disabilities. Their prop-

The arithmetic of old age can be stark. The 1981 English House Condition Survey

shows that: Proportionately more than three times as many house-holds with people aged 75 or over were found in unfit, seriously dilapidated homes than in "satisfactory" homes.

•Four out of 10 elderly owners were living in poor or msatisfactory homes compered with two out of 10 ion-elderly owners.

Put that together with the fact that the number of elderly over 75, already 3.7 million, is expected to inrease to more than 4 million by the turn of the century and you have a major cause

Sheer pressure of numbers means that Anchor workers have to turn down many more people for sheltered accommodation than they house. In 1978 they started an experiment, Staying Put, to try to improve the lot of hose who wanted or had no choice hat to do just that-stay put in their present, often severely sub-standard homes.

The objective was to provide technical and financial advice to enable older people to repair and adapt their

There were two essential elements. The first was to exploit the "latent" value of the elderly ppeople's own homes: what had seemed a liability could, with expert advice, once more become an asset. The second was to make practical advice avail-

The elderly need someone to help to organize and supervise the building work

Mrs G., 63, had let everything slide since her husband's death. She had

spent several periods in mental

of senility. The exterior of her property

was broken down, the interior damp

and filthy. There was no water supply.

Mrs G. was described by Anchor

spital and was showing early signs



ed:The security and warmth of Anchor's Highfield House in Bradford

Case histories

heating and complete redecoration -

cost £8,050. Anchor received a maximum repair grant of £4,320 and supplemented it with a £3,800 Abbey

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repayments on that by the DHSS

and to give social support to help people fund repairs and counselling.

The experiment started with one small team in Manchester which was allocated £20,000 of Anchor's charity funds. It was soon realized that using charity money to help clients on an ad hoc basis was scarcely

"You had to have a more thoroughgoing approach to the whole thing." says Michael Corp. Anchor's group director. "We worked out that with a combination of home improvement grants and - which was probably the most revolutionary thing -mortgages, we might be able

There are now eight Staying Put Schemes - in Southport, Bradford, Newcastle, Brixton, Hackney, Lambeth, Brighton, and Birmingham. Rose Wheeler of York University's Social Policy Research Unit, who recently completed a major survey of the initiative, shows just how necessary such schemes are

She paints a harsh picturewidespread poverty among the elderly with inflation diminishing the value of both income and savings.

Nearly two-thirds of the 854 Staying Put applicants will be a loosening once me interviewed by the York of the public purse strings.

# Trials in care

The Anchor Housing Trust, one of whose principal jobs is looking for and developing new initiatives to help the elderly, is funding three key experiments: Satelliting. The idea of satelliting is to use a sheltered

got rent rebates: seven out of 10 had less than £1,000 m savings; four in 10 less than housing scheme as a "mother house" into which other properties can be erties were often quite unsuit-able: nine in 10 properties had stairs; fewer than one in by an emergency system. The first experimental units are in Brighton where tenants are about to move into four Anchor-owned properties by its Old Viaduct Court sheltered housing scheme.

hot water, a bath or an inside Tenants will be encouraged to join in the social life of the Has Anchor's approach heen successful? Rose scheme and flats, although Wheeler believes it has. Of separate from the main applicants who had scheme, will be managed and completed building work at the time of the survey, 109 maintained by Anchor. It is hoped that ultimately the work had made it

similar schemes might extend possible for them to live the idea to properties owned or rented privately. Officials believe that satelliong could appeal to old people who need the benefits that sheltered housing offers but may be put off by the more normal sheltered schemes.

• Ask Anchor. This hous ing advisory service was set up in Bolton 16 months ago to provide skilled and imparoal advice on housing problems. It was realized that many of the questions which worried the elderly most about housing had as much to do with finance or social circumstances as they did with "bricks and mortar".

A minor problem such as faulty guttering might worm an elderly person out of all proportion. A specialist team of counsellors, supervised by senior member of Anchor. s providing advice oo rebates to coping with disabilities and loneliness. The most frequent problems had to do with the desire to be rehoused and paying for re-

 Dispersed alarms, An chor, helped by several major charitable trusts, is fuoding a Which?-type study, by the Research Institute for Consumer Affairs, into dispersed emergency alarm system.

living in their own homes to summon help quickly - an emergency call initiated by the elderly householder is received by a permanentlymanned central control that directs the help,

The market for emergen alarms has often been poorly thought out. The alarms are technically inadequate. The laboratory work has already been completed on standequipment, merely contacts a series of telephone numbers.

An Anchor official said the findings are less than reassur-ing: "Heath Rohinson is alive and well; four out of six pieces of equipment cannot be recommended."

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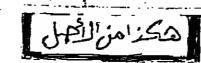
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# Trinidadians urged to boycott England as pressure mounts

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Barbados

The case for boycotting England's cricket tour has found a powerful advocate in the Prime Minister of Trini-dad, Mr George Chambers, who says that on principle he will oot be attending England's matches there. Something called the St Vioceot and Grenadines Aoti-apartheid Solidarity Organization has also de-clared its intention of picketing England's visit to St Vincent, which starts today. "If you doe't want to see Gooch play, as I don't, then don't go," Mr Chambers said. He advised Trinidadians to exercise their right by "keeping their money io their pockets". Uotil Trinidad's Minister for External Affairs had said much the same earlier in the week, recent Trinidadian oppositioo to the tour had come from the trade unions rather than the politicians. Arrival in Trinidad is not until February 27 and probably the best England can hope for there are conditions in which the game is playable, albeit before small crowds.

After five days practising here in Barbados, the team will be glad to fly the 100 miles to St Vincent and to fire the first shots in earnest,

Ian Botham played only a small part in England's practice yesterday because he has shoulder trouble. "I've inflamed the tendons and can't turn my arm over properly to bowl," he said. However, he still expects to be fit to be available for the match against St Vincent

Graham Gooch also has slight shoulder trouble, though be too will almost certainly be available, allowing England to select from a full squad.

there tomorrow. A certain dilatornoess crept ioto Wednesday's open-wieket practice, partly because of the slowness of the pitch and spongy nature of the outfield at the Cable and Wireless ground. Yesterday two sides of eight were chosen from the 16 players, with the odd wager being struck between them, which is as the professional golfers do it to keep interest alive oo practice

Up the coast at Saudy Lane few golfing professionals are, in fact, engaged in a gentle pro-am tournament (they play an arduous nine holes a day), the field having a strong racing flavour to it.

Barbados at this time of year is full of winning owners and successful trainers, reinforced at the moment by such well-known golfers as Sam Torthe English cricketers are out on holiday.

Perhaps inevitably, the most remarkable opening first-class innings by an England player in West Indies sloce the war was by Geoff Boycott, who made 261 oot out against the President's XI in Bridgetown in 1973-74. The last time a tour began, like this one, with a match against the Wind-ward Islands, it was played in Grenada in 1959-60 on mat-Greenhough, bowling leg breaks and googlies, took six for 32 oo the first day.

As that tour went on Greenhough had increasing difficulty in gripping the ball, because of sweating. Against Barbados in the next match Barbados in the next match there was a good deal of that, MCC finding themselves bowling at Sobers and Nurse while they added 306 together. But the lessons they learnt served them well in the first Test match less than a week later. That is the business and the purpose of these early practices and

# **Hughes loss starts collapse**

The rebel Australian tour- oers. The captain played sts collapsed from 172 for some delighful strokes, reachists collapsed from 172 for two to 210 all out to lose the fourth 50-over match here and leave the series with South Africa square at two-

It was a finish as riveting as the second match in Durban, with the Australians appeared to be vacant, which falliog 24 runs short of victory despite occding 61 to representative matches so far win off 10 overs with the cushioo of eight wickets in crowds. In the absence of

Wheo Hughes and Taylor were together, putting oo 92 South Africa woo the toss io 20 overs, the Australians looked the more likely win-paced pitch. Cook and were together, putting oo 92

From Ivo Tennant, Cape Town

ing his half century with a pulled six off the back foot to deep mid-wicket.

There were 16,000 present. an eveo bigger crowd than oo New Year's Day here. By mid-afternooo oot one seat meant that all four one-day official Tests, it is axiomatic

that this is the public's fancy.

Fougheringham began with 44, but oeither managed to consolidate. It was the same story for the remainder of the

McEwan and Kirsten, both back in the side on their home grounds, fell attempting to increase the pace.

Le Roux took 15 runs off one Rackemann over to propel his country to a total of 234 for 9. At the time it questionable whether that was enough, SOUTH AFRICA: 234 for 9, 50

Overs (C E B Rice 44) AUSTRALIANS: 210 all out, 48.2 overs (K J Hughes 60)

unbeaten since 1982 and with

### **BOXING**

# Renard recaptures his title

Catanzaro, Italy, (Reuter) Jean Marc Renard, of Belgium, regained the European attempt at the World Boxing junior lightweight title on Wednesday night, stopping Marco Gallo, of Italy, in the eighth round of a bruising for failing to defend it against junior lightweight title on encounter.

The Swiss referee, Frantz Marti, stepped in to end the contest, which had been scheduled for 12 rounds, after consulting the riogside doctor over a bad cut oo Gallo's

Renard, who had steadily weakened the 30-year-old Italian after a slow start to the bout, had previously held the title for just four months in 1984 before losing it to Pat Cowdell, Warley.

### Duran bids to recapture boxing glory

Panama City (Reuter) — Former world lightweight, welterweight aod juoior middleweight champioo, Roberto Duran, returns to the ring today for the first time since retiring in June 1984 after being pummelled unconscious in a title fight. That second round defeat

in his World Boxing Council (WBC) juoior middleweight title fight against American Thomas Hearns seemed to finish a career spanning two

 Also io Panama City today. World Boxing Association (WBA) flyweight champion, Hilario Zapata of Panama, faces Mexican Javier Lucas io what promises to be a difficult first defence of the Renard. Cowdell's world title hopes ended in failure against

the champion, Azumah Nelson, of Ghana oo October 12. The win over Gallo gave the 29-year-old Renard, a former Belgian motocross champion, his 28th victory in a 31-cootest career. Gallo was oo the defensive from the first round, landing few effective punches and staying out of harm's way only by constant ducking and weav-

Renard stepped up the pace in the fifth round and Gallo, visibly tiring, stum-bled under the force of a left but was stopped by the bell.

By the eighth round Renard was calmly and coofidently waiting for his chance to clinch the title. It came just over two minutes. came just over two minutes into the round when a cut opened up near Gallo's left

### ing. The Italian, previously eye, **Ambitious Kaylor will** make Sibson wait

Kaylor, two outstanding British middleweights, moved further into the distance yesterday wheo Kaylor de-clared that he was interested in meeting only boxers above him in the world ranking

Sibson, unranked because of 14 months of inactivity, made a spectacular comeback last week and claims he is ready for anyone. But a repeat of his bout with Kaylor io November of 1984, which would be an ohvious best-seller, will not take

Kaylor said yesterday: "I am not interested in Sibson, who is oot ranked in the top 10. I am No 9 and my main

A possible match between bouts io future will be against Tony Sibsoo and Mark people who are supposed to people who are supposed to be better than me. I am still only 24 and Marvin Hagler is getting on, and things can change in boxing in a week."

Kaylor, who has been training in California, will open his 1986 campaign with

10 rounds against an oppo-nent who is definitely not better than himself He meets Tony Harrison, of Oklahoma, and one way or another it could be an early night at the Royal Albert Hall oo February 19.

Harrison has won only 10 out of 18 cootests and has been stopped five times. On the other hand, he has four one-round knock-outs on his record and stopped four successive opponents in

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Downhill in danger

Wengen (Reuter) - Fresh storms with winds gusting to 140 kph have lashed the Lauberhorn course, putting this weekend's men's World Cup Alpine skiing prothe world champion, it is unlikely he will topple the gramme in jeopardy.



TENNIS

### Lendl finds the time to drop in

From Richard Evans Philadelphia

Twenty-five years ago, Marilyn and Ed Fernberger — one of those American cou-ples who believe the world is there to be conquered started a tennis tournament in a local Philadelphia high

school gym.
Vic Seixas, the former
Wimhledoo champioo, played the very first match and Joo Douglas, an Ameri-can Davis Cup player of that era, woo the first title.

From that moment on, the Fernbergers exploded with the game itself, always in the van of the growing tennis movement: fighting and win-niog political battles; moving ioto vast modern arenas; and offering prize money Seixas and his cootemporaries never even dreamed about.

So it was fitting that, as the Ebel US Pro Indoors, as it is now called, prepared to celebrate its silver anniver-sary, the world's No lplayer should answer a desperate call to step in at the very last minute — literally — as replacement for Joho a record of 26 wins in 34 McEnroe.

bouts, cornered Renard briefly in the second, but the Ivan Lendi was airborne in one of the few commercial Belgian forced his way out of trouble with some fierce airliners equipped with incame through from the Pro Council's office. The chief administrator, Marshall bled under the force of a left hook to the jaw. Renard moved in for a second attack who also happens to have a

Should Leodi end μp taking the title he will receive \$67,500 as opposed to the trophy and handshake Douglas received all those vears ago.

In those amateur days, tennis was a precarious pas-time that, perhaps, attracted more eccentrics than it does more eccentrics than it does today. The Fernbergers's cenod champion was the legendary Whitney Reed who, in his hey day as the No Iplayer io America, could stay up all night playing cards and still bemuse people like Ken Rosewall the following afternoon.

Reed's reward for winning io Philadelphia was a tape recorder. "Yea, I think that's what I got," recalled Reed, who was never strong oo detail. "I think I lost it a few weeks later in a crap game."

Reed will not be here at the Spectrum with Arthur Ashe, Stan Smith and Charlie Passarell and other past champions of this event. Now in his fifties, Whitney Reed is about to become a first the first bare than the first bare that the first bare than the first bare that the first bare than the first bare that the fi father for the first time back home in San Francisco. He's woo coough card games now to afford a family.

credible a decade ago. Unfortunately for Fadeyev,

# **Entry for Lipton** looks impressive

Even so, the field will be

impressive. The top four singles seeds will be Mrs Lloyd, Pam Shriver, Steffi Graf and Zina Garrisoo and,

io the men's singles, Lendl, Mats Wilaoder, Stefao Edberg and Boris Becker.

Except for Kevin Curren,

draws of 128 in the singles,

64 io the men's and women's doubles and 32 in the mixed

doubles. The mixed draw is

longer test notil the semi-finals. As long as this system

endures, the championships

will oot achieve the status to

Buchholz had a few head-

aches putting the package together, and last year's

inaugural event had its teething troubles. But there is

reason to expect that within a

year or two the Lipton championships will be as

firmly and successfully estab-

lished as the two other great

which they aspire.

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

Chris Lloyd and Ivan Hana Mandlikova, Joho Lendl are seeded to win the McEnroe and Jimmy Con-singles titles in the first of nors. this year's four outstanding festivals for players of both sexes, the Liptoo internatinal players championships, to be played on hard courts at Boca Raton in Florida from February 10 to 23. The other fortnight-long tournameots oo which the Liptoo event is modelled will be the French,

who was born in South Africa Wimhledon and United States championships. In any other year there would be a fifth such tourhut is oow a United States citizen, the top eight men's seeds are all Europeans. It seems reasonable to look forward to another resoundnament, but there will be oo Australian championships in ing clash between Lendl and 1986 because they are revert-Becker, though the latter is still learning his trade on hard courts. This will be ing from the recent December dates to the traditional January time slot, beginning in 1987. Those will be the last Australian championships to be played on grass because a different surface something of a local tour-nament for Mrs Lloyd and Leudl, who both have homes in the area. The pattern of the toura choice as yet to be made nament will be much as it was in 1985. There will be

will be installed in the oew national tennis centre, which will be ready in time for the 1988 tournament. The Lipton champion-ships, inaugurated last year, were the brainchild of Earl (Butch) Buchholz, who had six match points against Neale Fraser, the eventual champion, in a 1960 Wimblelater became a professional,

an administrator, and an eotrepreceur. Although Buchholz was the driving force, the Liptoo tournament could not have achieved instant distinction without the backing of several spon-sors and the co-operation of the two players' unions, the Association of Tennis Professionals and the Women's

Tennis Association.
The ATP and WTA are heavily involved in the organizatioo and administratioo of the championships and share 20 per cent of the revenue from ticket sales and television fees. The players are out yet as fully commit-ted as their unions. Notable absentees at Boca Ratoo will

# festivals inaugurated in the past decade: the World Team Cup competition in Düsseldorf and, the European Champions' Championship Top seed Lloyd sweeps aside unseeded Huber

Petra Huber of Austria 6-2, 6-l on Wednesday night to advance to the third round of the \$250,000 Virginia Slims of Florida tournament. Lloyd needed only 74 minutes to despateh the unseeded

Io the other featured eveoing match, sixth-seeded Gabriela Sabatini of Argentioa trouoced Britaio's
Annabel Croft 6-0, 6-1. Earlier, Kathy Horvath of the
United States came from behind to upset seventh-

Key Biscayne (AP) — Top-seeded Chris Lloyd of the United States easily defeated naments dating back to July naments dating back to July prior to winning her first game oo Tuesday. The second and third seeds

also had to pull out the stops. Steffi Graf of West Germany fought back to beat American Alycia Moultoo 3-6, 6-4, 6-1, and Bulgarian Manuela Maleeva defeated Janine Thompson of Australia 4-6, 6-3, 6-2. Fifth-seeded Kathy Rinaldi of the United States overcame Marie Christine
Calleja of France 7-5, 6-1,
and eighth seed Wendy
Turnbull of Australia beat seeded Catarina Lindqvist of Aona Ivan of the United Swedeo 4-6, 6-1, 6-3. States, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.

# Fadeyev's task may be too great

From Michael Coleman Copenhagen

If Alexander Fadeyev was a golfer, given that the sport exists in the Soviet Union, he reigoiog European title with leisurely high jumps holder, Jozef Sabovcik from Czechoslovakia. Fadeyev, a Kazan-born though Moscow- 5.4 for technical merit must would be holing in one on successive greens. trained skater, committed an That is a measure of the unusual error duriog Wednesday's seven-element short programme, over-rotatto present today at the Europeao figure skating championships here when the meo's contest is decided. He double loop combination, forcing an emergency stop.

All the rest was in overdrive will attempt in public what he has been presenting in training all this week: two but the slip was penalized heavily, the French and Yugoslav judges awarding different combinations with the triple axel, the one with a only 5.4. triple salchow, the other with triple toe lutz, jumps oot

Sabovcik, who acquired the title last year in the abscence of the injured Fadeyev. followed next oo the ice and employed his long, elegant, clean line to maximum effect

remain a mystery.
With Sahovcik in such

evidently confident form and recling off quadruple jumps repeatedly in practice, the Russian's task today looks iosurmountable. He also faces the additional peril of the cturning form shows here. the stunning form shown by his team colleague Vladimir

SNOOKER

### Thorne to keep clear of the blues

By Sydney Friskin

When Willie Thorne meets Steve Davis at the Wembley Conference Centre this after-noon in the quarter-final of the Benson and Hedges Masters' tournament, he will pay special uttention to the

This was the one that stopped him in his tracks when he seemed to be racing to victory over Davis in the final of the Coral UK championship at Preston last

December.

After failing to pot the hlue off its spot into u side pocket. Thorne could do oothing right, and Davis went on to win the match 16-14. Since then Thorne has been troubled by his bete bleu and has found more profit from the black ball, which greatly influenced his victory over Ray Reardon in the first round at Wembley. Davis and Thorne have met five times, the score standing ut 4-I in Davis' favour,

Later today Jimmy White plays the world champion.
Dennis Taylor. They have
not played against each other
in a professional tournament
since December of 1983,
when White beat Taylor 9-4
in the second round of the UK championship. The form of both players suggests that today's match will be one of the best in the tournament.

Taylor, as he promised, ran a tap of honour round the table after be had beaten Doug Mountjoy 5-2 oo Wednesday oight. It was the first time he had won a match at this tournament io oine attempts and he achieved it emphatically. He began his victory charge by making a break of 88 to put himself 3-2 ahead

having squared the match at 2-2 before the interval. Up to that stage Mountjoy had done little that was wrong, and was in fact leading 42-6 before Taylor took control with a sequence of blacks and reds, skilfully

positioo of advantage. It was a masterpiece of navigation in choppy waters, and once Taylor had woo this frame there was little Mountjoy could do to contain him.

steering the cue ball to a

White, despite his bril-liance, could face the same problem today. So far, White has won four matches in five from the south, bar a couple meetings with Taylor. has won four matches in five meetings with Taylor. FIRST ROUND: A Knowles bt S Francisco 5-1. Frame scores (Knowles first): 45-57, 65-37, 63-62, 83-39, 57-38, 76-18. Dennis Taylor bt D Mountjoy 5-2. Frame scores (Taylor first): 59-58, 87-43, 11-72, 24-68, 94-42, 82-6, 84-20.

only half the size it should be and a more serious criticism concerns the variable lengths of the men's matches. In the singles the meo will play the best of three sets until the **REAL TENNIS** iner-linais oowards (best of five) and in the doubles they will oot coofroot the

### **Quest for** army title proceeds

Major David Reed-Felstead (Blues and Royals) meets Captaio Giles Lotbinicie (15th/16th Hus-sars), and Captain Alister Maxwell (Royal Green Jackets) plays Captain Hugo Akerman (17th/21st Lancers) in today's semi-finals of the army singles championship at Queeos Cluh. Io Wednesday's quarter-finals, Reed-Felstead, who has woo his champiooship twice, defeated Licutenant Colonel Campbell Gordon (Scots Guards) 15-4, 15-6, 15-6; Lothinieie beat Captain Michael Hough (St.) Lonichillia chael Hough (5th Ioniskillio Dragooo Guards) 15-7, 15-14, 15-11; Maxwell beat Lieutenant Charles Fraser

(Life Guards) 15-5, 15-1, 15-9 and Akerman beat Captain Neil Polley (14th/20th Hus-sars) 15-11, 10-15, 16-15, 15-Io Mootreal last Sunday, John Prenn, the former world champion, woo the Canadian Amateur Singles Champion-ship by defeating David McLernoo 3-1; he then woo the doubles with Charles Hue

Williams, the British amateur

champion in 1977, by defeat-

### ing McLernon and Christopher Pickwoad 3-0. **Big winner**

Athens (AP) — An 8-year-old boy correctly predicted the outcome of 13 Greek football matches last Sunday and woo more than 3m drachmas (\$20,000) in the state-run pool. "I picked the games all on my own," the boy, Yannis Pappous, said.

TODAY'S FIXTURES **FOOTBALL** 

7:30 unless stated Third division Fourth division
Haitex v Colchester
Southend v Exeter (7.45)
Stockport v Crewe
Tranmere v Southenpe

ranners v Scurthorpe...

Kotin, an ice exhibitionist who has so choreographed his jumps to the music that be appears part of the orchestra.

If Kotin captures the judges' verdict, then it is curtains for Fedeyev.

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SMETH'S MERRY TABLE "A":

Gougaster v Bratch (7.0): Moseley v Wast of Scotland (7.0): Nasth v Wast of S

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Jim Smith is one of the genial managers of football, as is Ken Brown, of Norwich, who deserves more Norwich, who deserves more than he achieves. Two semi-final ties in the Milk Cap with Liverpool hardly suggests that Queen's Park Rangers, having eliminated Chelsea, are bound for Wembley, but it would be rewarding for Smith, in particular. bley, but it would be rewarding for Smith, io particular, should they accomplish the improbable. Watching Liverpool nncertainly remove Chelsea from the FA Cup three days previously, there must be however some hope for be however, some hope for

Smith's men. It is more than 1.3 years since I travelled to the Fens to chat to o young mao who was making a came for himself io the FA Cup with Boston. From there he moved upwards to Colchester, and took them from the fourth division to the third. On to Blackburn, and then, after two and a half seasons, to Birmingham City, whose re-sponse to his gaioing promo-tion from the Second Division was, a year later, to saek him.
Oxford, onder the
chairmanship of one Maxwell, behaved not much better after he had taken the club from the third division to the first, and now, in his buoyant and unrescotful way, he is

attempting to find the spot-light with Rangers. "I need three more players of quality," he reflects, "and then we might be challeoging for something regularly."

### Few quality players

Smith feels it has never been harder than now to find those quality players. It is a sign of the times that he thinks the traditional mines for football talent, Lancashire and Durham, have in recent years fallen behind London, where the schools football is of a better standard. Of a dozen youngsters discovered by Rangers' scouts, all are

The game, he says, is not what it was, though he thinks that three points for a win, and this season, irooically, the absence of European competition, have made for an improvement."Teams are less inally, I wasn't in favour of three poiots and still only one for a draw, because as o professional I thought this devalued the draw away from home, but what is happening is that teams are coming not to defend on your ground but to attack you. There is more open football. We have seen that here at Loftus Road from teams like Everton, Aston Villa and Newcastle, and we have lost four times ut home. "Not having the inceotive this year of going for a place io the top six to qualify for Europe has also reduced

some of the pressure and the

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### tension, simply because there is less to fight for." Fighting, in every sense, has not helped football. A sense of

expectation

Smith does not get the pleasure he used to, and feels the pressure comes as much from directors as managers, but the challenge still pro-duces in him that old daily drive and sense of expecta-tion. "The best playing spell I tion. "The best playing spell I ever had was the season I got the sack at Birmingham. We had Colin Todd, Archie Gemmill and Frank Worthington, oging but skillful players in each area of the pitch. I thought we would be to the pitch. I thought we would be the pitch. pitch. I thought we were going places, but then we had a run of injuries. The period I enjoyed the most was at Oxford—it wasn't just what we did oo the field, but the feeling of what the club was

we did oo the field, but the feeling of what the cluh was doing for the community."

Rangers have been handicapped this season by the knee injury to Waddock, who will be out of action until next outumn. But Smith feels the basis is there for eventually climbing above Chelsea. The basis is there for eventually climbing above Chelsea. The strength that Smith does have now is in his aptions. There are two competent goal-keepers in Barroo and Hucker, and u choice of four defenders from Neill, McDonald, Fetwick, Wicks and Dawes.

Dawes.

He is of the opinion that the artificial pitch conditions the style of play. "There are a lot of things like training in all weathers, and being able to play a reserve match immediately before a first division fixture which give you advantages", he says. "I'd like to think it would be possible to improve the surpossible to improve the surface and take out a bit of the bounce." He is looking for a hit more bonnce from the



# Robson still undecided about defence after their Egyptian lesson

In Cairo's sunlit international stadium on the banks of the Nile on Wednesday England were taught a few lessons during their wildly misleading 4-0 victory over Egypt. These should prove valuable when the ractical examination begins in Mexico four months from

England's brief education was potentially embarrassing. It was as though they were being asked questions for which they had oot prepared themselves. Egypt, the first North African country they had visited, were full of surprises and, in the explosive Zeid and particularly in the talented Magdi, they could point to the two outstanding players on dis-

graces of Shilton, who protected England's reputation and confirmed his own as the world's best goalkeeper, the encouragement drawn Bobby Robson was limited to one other individual perfor-mance. He admitted that Cowans, recalled to the left side of midfield after an absence of 30 months, had he has so few targets, so few given him "food for options in front of him. thought".

Cowans timidly. Thrilled to be given an unexpected and belated invitation to join the World Cup huild-up, and with little more than a few minutes to find his way during practice on Tuesday, that was under-standable. The surface, mottled green and bumpy, and ing between them. Stevens the environment were foreign to him as well.

It took him an hour to grow accustomed to the conditions and to feel comfortable in his role in front of Sansom, beside contribution of Wright. So Wilkins and behind Wallace, many of his appearances for Robson emphasized that his country have been flawed the last half hour" and it was during that period that he been retained. After all, there illustrated his growing con- are oow only three genuine fidence by advancing to claim England's fourth goal with a crisp drive.
Wallace, Southamptoo's

winger, who scored the third to mark his debut, was lively without suggesting that he should replace either Barnes or Waddle. Beardsley, brought on for the closing 30 minutes, lost little time in announcing his arrival on the ioternational stage but he faces fiercer competition for places at the head of the

the Buckinghamshire town.

developers who want to build

warehouses on the site. The

club hope then to move to a

new ground at Sands on what

is now agricultural land.

still tn be given planning

Wycombe secretary, said: "If

everything goes to plan we

could be playing on the new ground at the start of the

987-88 season. I must stress. though, that we shall not

move until the new ground is

John Goldsworthy, the

the most of his opportunity." Hateley, despite an unmistakeable advantage in height, and Lineker, who was withdrawn after suffering a recurrence of a groin strain. made disappointingly little

Hateley did well for the first goal with that hammer blow of a shot that was parried out to Steven," Rob-son commented. "He was unlucky not to score himself then and he won some decent balls in the second half. But he still has some work to do, particularly on the ground." England's midfield was never fully in control. Rob-

son revealed that he had a word with Wilkins, the captain in the absence of Bryan Robson, during the interval lay. "I wanted him to bring Apart from the saving everyone into the game and to be more positive. He is a gifted passer of the ball and he created the second, even though it was an own goal, and the third.

"If you go and watch him playing for AC Milan in Italy, you might think that he is playing square and has become ingrained in that. But he has to first towards to first Invariably, there are six or seven of his colleagues standing around him."

The defence, as well as the side as a whole, owed a huge debt to Shilton. Although the back four were appearing together for the fourth successive time, there was an alarming lack of understandand Fenwick each had their most uncomfortable outing in the white shirt of England. Yet the most disturbing feature, and not for the first time by any means, was the many of his appearances for Cowans was very strong in and it is becoming increasingly worrying that he has

> the squad leaves for their training camp in Colorado.
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> Although Robsoo claimed that Wright had one of his better games, he qualified his praise significantly by adding: "I told him I wanted him to rattle and dig the fellow he was marking, to be a more competitive central defender. I think he tried to give me

> practice matches left before

"I know he lunged in ooce or twice but I think that was because I geed him up. He showed a willingness to offer koosons comments

Wycombe want a new home

Non-League football by Paul Newman

that.

vious shakiness that he should be included even as an understudy in England's World Cup party.
The position remains a

problem, as Robson con-ceded. "I have a headache at centre half. It is a job to know which one I should leave out. Watson is a tremendous character, Martin is good and has had a great season so far, Butcher is good and Fenwick has done well. "Overall, we have got some decent players. Don't forget that, while we might have

been involved in a tight or we could have won by six. Their goalkeeper made some Hateley in the first-half and those two tremendons efforts from Hill and Wallace near the end. "If people criticize our

performance, maybe they don't give the Egyptians enough praise and respect and for the way that football is developing over there. They are not far away from Algeria and Algeria beat West Germany in a World Cup tie in 1982. We have to be aware that football in the Third World nations is developing rapidly.

They are spending a lot of

money coaching and training players, morning and afternoon, and especially on their touch on the hall. Wednesday's game gave us a warning about Morocco. We know now that we are in for a hard match against them in Mooterrey in June and no one involved with England will be complacent about it. "I am not entirely satisfied with the way we coped defensively. On a couple of occasions we were on the wrong side of attackers and two or three of Shiltoo's saves were exceptional but the tip over the corner of the bar from Hazem's free header

"While we don't like being under duress, it is nice to know that Shilton is as sharp as ever. I was impressed by some of their players, Magdi was outstanding, I liked Zeid, Hazem and Mayoub and Sedki was very quick in dealing with Lineker.

belonged in the world class,

"It was a worthwhile trip, particularly for the sake of morale and spirit. Also one or two of the players now know that they will have a job to keep their places." Robson was without 13 of his senior representatives, but "Beardsley did not look showed a willingness to offer the Egyptians were also out of place," Robsoo said, the defensive qualities I need, missing El Khatib, a centre "He made the goal for In that respect, he did a little forward who has claimed ful ball back to him and he did little to convince those Wright, in particular, will be looked determined to make who witnessed Wright's ob- thankful he was absent.



Strachan: yet another Manchester United injury

### Strachan adds to United's woes

Manchester United midfield player, suffered a hamstring injury during his side's 3-0 victory over Sanderland in an FA Cup fourth round replay on Wednesday, renew-ing the threat to his side's progress this season. Strachan limped off io the

fifteenth minute, United's sixth hamstring victim of the season. He said: "I felt a twinge a minute before it went and thought I could run it off. I had a similar miury six years ago and it put me out for six weeks." United are under increas-

ing pressure at the top of the first division and could be overtaken tomorrow. Nonetheless, they drew comfort on Wednesday from the resur-gent form of Bryan Robson. Dixon, having already been in only his second game since ruled out by the injury he returning from injury. returning from injury. Olsen scored twice (one a

penalty) after Whiteside had given Uoited a 28th minute .Two managers under pres- sealed by a hizarre goal in the

sure had contrasting fortunes last minute. Niedzwiecki, the in Cup replays. Peter Chelsea goalkeeper, at-Shreeve, of Tottenham tempted to take the ball Hotspur, was relieved to see upfield, lost control and his side produce one of their Kohinson stepped in to score most emphatic performances from just inside the Chelsea of an otherwise indifferent half. season when they beat Notts County 5-0, hut Graham Turner, of Aston Villa, left Millwall with his side beaten 1-0 and his own future looking bleak.

After five League games without a win, relegationwithout a win, relegationtroubled Villa are desperate
for points at home to
Southampton tomorrow.
Millwall's winning goal was
scored in the 57th minute hy
John Fashanu. On a quagmire of a pitch, Millwall were
worthy winners.

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worthy winners.

The same could be said of

# **Hidalgo for Marseilles**

Marseilles.

Paris (Reuter) - Michel Hidalgo, who guided France to the European Champion-ship in 1984, yesterday resigned as national technical director following a row over his decision to manage Olympique Marseilles, the first division club.

Tranmere Rovers and Crewe The resignation comes amid complete in every detail." will form an attacking Alexandra player from Ban- a fierce controversy over his Brian Lee, the chairman, partnership with Boh Moun- gor City. **GOLF: CONTROVERSY CONTINUES OVER NEW 'CROSBY' THEME** 

Gordon Strachan, the Spurs' football at White Hart Lane, where the goals were scored by Chiedozie, Allen, Falco, Waddle and Hoddle. Spurs now meet Everton in the fifth round in a tie to be televised live on Sunday February 16. Before then the teams have two opportunities to test each other out, in the League tomorrow and in the Super Cup oo Wednesday. Across town, Chelsea's sea-

son, so successful until their FA Cup defeat at home to Liverpool on Sunday, took another turn for the worse when they lost a Milk Cup quarter-final replay 2-0 at home to Queen's Park Rangers. To add to their troubles David Speedie begins a threematch suspension tomorrow,

The match was nine min-

ahead, Chelsea's fate being

Wednesday's

results

ANTERNATIONAL Egypt Q, England 4. FA CUP: (4th round replays) Manchester United 3, Sunderland Q, Millwall 1, Aston Villa Q; Tottenham B, Notis County Q, MILK CUP: (5th round replay) Chaises Q, DDR 2

Bernard Tapie to manage

these unfounded criticisms,"

Hidalgo said. "By leaving the

federation I am going to put

an end to the unhealthy

argument that is damaging French football."

Other teams have said

"I have had enough of

utes into extra time when McDonald put Rangers played 10, won 9. "I think you draw too

the state schools." Still, I suspect that, despite

the independents? Reg Davenport, master in

Beaumont, beaten finalists in the Rydal Centenery Sevens in September, visited Colwyn Bay again last week-end and were unlucky to lose 15-12 to Rydal, despite scor-ing three tries to I. Rydal, however, scored a glorious,

Euros Jones, the captain,

Campion's marvellous success story continues. Earlier in the season they held the Australian Schools to one of the most respectable scorelines of the tour (0-13). And having beaten Rygate's GS (29-6), after going behind early on, their most recent victory against Eltham (23-11), was achieved in the face of some magnificent defence and brought Campion their

Perhaps Trinity's best wins were against Wimbleton College (12-0), Guildford RGS (9-3), John Fisher (22-3), Eltham (7-0) and St. Joseph's Blackheath (20-6),

That wonderfully success-

# Milne a massive threat to Rendall's supporting role

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent work done in the South

England have selected the tors make no radical changes side that beat Wales for the after tomorrow's game in after tomorrow's game in beforehand. Cardiff. Milne is currently next leg of their Five Nations championship campaign programmed at 16st 5lbs but suspect the Harlequin against Scotland at Murrayfield oo February 15 when they hope to retain the weighs in at considerably more these days. Simmonds is unlucky to

Calculta Cup won so narrowily last season. lose his place in the squad after only one opportunity.
He did well for London
during the divisional
championship whereas Simpson was dropped by the
North But the salastors have The only amendment to the match squad is among the replacements where Andy Simpson returns. The Sale hooker has watched Peter Wheeler, Steve Mills and North. But the selectors have Steve Brain performing for England 17 times from the comfort of the stand without watched Simpson since then and are assured he has regained the form which has once getting on the field. But he now displaces Allan Simmons of Wasps. made him the oumber two for the last five years, and have restored him in the knowledge that his experi-ence would be useful in other It has been remarked before how difficult it is to areas of forward play — at prop for instance or, at a pinch, on a flank — if

change a winning side with-out disturbing the confidence success has inspired. The selectors will have had a long hard look at the front row, wondering whether Chilcott (Bath) would prove a better required.
The England squad will gather in Richmond tomor-row night and work out at Twickenham on Sunday gather in Richmond tomor-Twickenham on Sunday, intent of playing an open They are due to meet again game, will not scorn the odd scrummager on the loose head than Rendall (Wasps) but decided in the end to the following weekend, the selectors aiming to have as leave well alone. Rendali's support play at much practice together as possible before travelling.

The players are due to

the lineout will have weighed beavily in his favour: not only was he able against the Welsh to use his understanding with Colclough, his for-mer club colleage, but Dooley also said after the match how nuch assistance Rendall had two years ago the weather was so bad that training was strictly limited. Michael Wesmuch assistance Rendall had given him.

is likely to bring him up ton, chairman of selectors, is against the massive Milne, keen to eliminate such a assuming the Scottish selec-possiblity by getting as much

### The state Guiding hand on game states its case

Schools Rugby by Michael Stevenson

The state of rugby in state chools may not be perfect but it is in better shape than I have made out - so speaks Joho Scott, rugby master at the Bishop of Hereford's Bluecoat School.

Scott says that I paint "too bleak a picture" in criticising schools rugby and adds that after researching group 16 sides in the Midlands, he finds that well over three times as many boys are picked from state schools as from the iodependents.

"Most of my fixtures are against the Independent sector," Scott writes, "and in every way we are as good as they are. Our first team results this season to date are:

hleak a picture. At 16 group level in the Midlands, things

the presence of a number of very talented youngsters in the state Schools, the overall standard in the independent schools is far higher. Could that be why John Scott plays most of his fixtures against

charge at King's Macclesfield, is putting out a brochure to fund and commemorate their forthcoming tour of Portugal. He will have been heartened by his side's recent 21-15 defeat of the powerful Arnold

While the Australiao Schools have been processing majestically around Europe, St. Stephen's — a largely Maori school from Auckland. New Zealand - have been touring England and Wales. And they won all five matches.

and decisive, try.

who had a great game at fly-half, broke from his own line, beat several men and fed Wooller, whose speed and elusiveness took him from his own 22 to the Beaumont line for a try which his famous uncle Wilf Wooller would have been proud of in

18th win of the season.

ful rugby nursery, Llandovery College enjoyed mixed for-tunes on their short tour of the South East, defeating a combined douai and pangbourne side (26-9) and losing (16-3) to the formidible St. Benedict's.

financial tiller "I'r pant y rhed y dwr" is are players now in the team an old Welsh proverb which who do not remember such

The selectors will also

watch the performance on video of Boh Francis, the New Zealand referee who handles the Wales-Scotland game tomorrow. Mr Francis, who nfficiated in last season's

games between England and Australia and when the

Australians played Ireland in Duhlin, is the maich officini for the Calcutta Cup game,

He will also renew acquaint-ance with those England

players who appeared against

Auckland on tour in New

Ireland flew to Paris yes-

terday to make their final

dispositions for the game

against France tomorrow at

Pare des Princes. Their game

will be refereed by Boh Fordham, the Australian who distributed 26 penalties to

England and Wales at Twick-

three points that Michael

Kiernan can collect.

ENGLAND (v Scotland): GH Devies (Wasps): SJ Smith (Wasps): SJ Halliday (Bath): JLB Salmon (Hariequins): R Underwood (Leicester): CR Andrew (Nottingham): ND Melville (Wasps): SE Brain (Coventry): GS Pearcs (Northampton): JP Hall (Bath): WA Docley (Preston Grasshoppers): MJ Colclough (Swansea): PJ Winterbottom (Headingley): GL Robbins (Coventry): Replacements: JA Palmer (Bath): SJ Barnes (Bath): RJ Hill (Bath): GJ Chilcott (Bath): AW Simpson (Sale): NG Redman (Bath).

Kiernan can collect.

Zealand last summer.

in its literal translation asserts a very obvious truth that from bright, days. Devereux water will ran its course, inevitably, to the fertile valley. Putting aside a than just a twinkle in their welshman's shyness in talk-mother's eyes, but they have Welshman's shyness in tana-ing about money, but realiz-ing exactly its worth, this folksy wisdom means that to that bath it shall be resembled, with the grass a given. And usually in abun-

stretch their legs at Easter Road, home of Hibernian

football club, when they arrive in Edinburgh before

moving out to Peebles, hut

So it will be interpreted by the less financially fortunate sports as they look on enviously nt the riches that are seemingly going ragby's the change. He is nonetheless way. The first British Gas-still surprised that a new sponsored match between England and Wales has gone by, and tomerrow it is Toshiba's express wish to give financial support to the first of the two at the Arms Park this season.

sponsoring the club cup debeutures first time round competition, advertising on an idea that came from the hoardings around the Scotland incidentally — but pitch and the television con- by the second phase of the tract, the Weish Rugby Union can expect as much as £250,000 from these external sources of income.

Three guiding provisos

From those on the sidelines who carp at such success, and condemn the administrators for selling out the spirit of an amateur game, Ken Harris, the WRU treasurer, cannot really suffer such folly.

"There is nothing wrong with this level of sponsorship," he said, "provided that three things are observed: that it does not infringe on the players, that it does not spoil our relation-ship with the clubs and that it does not intrude on the

spectators' enjoyment. "The spousors, after all, been reading recently, the ground ticket allocation to the clubs has not been affected in any way because what is WRU committee are so altruistic as to relegate themselves to some inferior position in the stalls — they have simply been moved lock, stock and barrel to the south stand instead.

Ken Harris can feel proud of what has been achieved during his careful steward-ship of the union's finances. This is his last year as treasurer of the WRU. During his finances around around ing his time he has seen n remarkable transformation at

the national ground.
"Do you know", he said
"the ground stank, Some players often complained that when they were tackled they tasted the ... muck." To a man, conservately suited as befitted n banker, and measuring his words carefully, speaking in a precise rhythm so that nothing could be misconstrued, this last word seemed to hang in the

With his nyuncular style he must have cut a cautions figure among the vociferons firebrands among the politicians of the general committee meeting.
The days when dogs ran

around the track a couple of many a Welsh team. There

ohviously high, though far and Jones may have been more - but not much more mere sprinkling of parsley. Though he would not care

to accept it, wishing to emphasize the team effort involved, Ken Harris has been the guiding light behind the change. He is nonetheless ground has been made out of the old. "I didn't expect to see it finished," he says. "The north stand cost £1.2 million in 1969, by 1984 the In all it cost £9 million. We What with Schweppes couldn't get rid of our by the second phase of the development we were oversubscribed three times".

And that was the greatest achievement? "No," he says emphatically. "The greatest achievement was solving the legal problems of ownership and securing the release of the greyhound company who had the right to use the Arms Park several times a week - from their contract in 1967 when they had the right to stay until 1983. If that hadn't happened we couldn't have started".

What of amateurism?Does

he fear its loss in the future? "It is n problem, I grant you. hut only in the sense that it needs to be overcome. For my part, I simply believe that it is n more enjoyable and a better game if it is amateur. I don't mind that n man has more beer or more sandknow what they are getting.
And let me add, too, especially in view of what I've get paid for playing the game.

My fear is the difficulty we face in finding able administrators, who do it as a labour of love. There are some administrators, like the any way because what is allocated to the sponsors is the committee box in the north stand." Not that the north stand." Not that the liked prefer something more. I liked President Kennedy's words which is applicable to rugby: 'Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." He would like to have been around for some more but feels the time has come when the way must be

> around "It is a time of great

change and it is good to be around in these times. I welcome the idea of the World Cap, if only that no World Cup, if only that no one else gets in on the act. I would like to see how successful it is. On more parochial level I see the Welsh Rugby Union, because of sponsorship and prudent housekeeping, having paid off its debt. But, and I emphasize this, it is important, es. this, it is important, especially for a treasurer, not to measure the success of the WRU in commercial terms.

"What is important is the way clubs, men, boys and youths can benefit and to be able to play under the proper conditions and facilities. This is what is ahead of as. When you consider the brave decisions we tonk and look what has been achieved, we haven't done too badly now, have we? For an amateur game ...

### **HOCKEY**

### Knott's goals dispose of Durham

By Sydney Friskin

Loughborough, who last won the title in 1984, qualified for the semi-finals of the Universities Athletic Union Hockey Champion-ship by defeating Durham 3-

David Knott scored two goals for Loughborough and Cook one. Durham's scorer

Loughborough's opponents on February 12 will be Birmingham, who defeated Liverpool 3-1. The remaining matches between Leeds and Southampton and Newscastle and Exeter were postponed weather and will be played next Wednesday.

The only Pizza Express London League match, berween Cambridge University and Spencer, was called off because of bad weather.

famous sloping pitch. The ahead especially if we are to Gola League club want to sell achieve our ambition and the site, which is in a sought-after position in the middle of High Wycombe, and huild Facilities at the proposed

a new stadium on the edge of Wycombe have agreed in principle to sell Loakes Park, pitch and covered terracing where they have played for on the other three sides. 85 of their 101 years, to John Brownlie, the

that the signing of Graham Bennett from Altrincham for a "four-figure fce" will help

planning to leave their this decision is taken to set Loakes Park ground and its the club up for the years

new ground would include an all-weather pitch, a covered seated stand alongside the

 John Brownlie, the former Newcastle United and Scotland defender, has joined Blyth Spartnns, the Drybroughs Northern League club, and makes his debut However, both schemes have tomorrow against Gretna.

 Stafford Rangers hope solve their goal-scoring problems. Stafford are eighth in their first season back in the Gola League, but only Dagenham and Barrow have a worse scoring record. Bennett

while Bernhard Langer and

Nick Faldo went away with Jack Nicklaus and his son

Jack Jar in the celebrity field

at Cypress Point, controversy

continued here over the

change to the title of the

national pro-am from "the Crosby" to "the AT and T".

"It's very unfortunate, be-cause Bing helped to start and popularize the idea of

staging these charity events."
Arnold Palmer said. "It's a sad note in golfing history."
"If Palmer feels that way."

replied Tom Oliver, the president of the Pebble Beach

Company, which runs the historic event, "then where

has he been for the last six

years? Tempers tend to be

rather unsettled here just

Bing's widow. Kathryn

now.

Wycombe Wanderers are said: "It is important that tain, who has been signed from Alfreton Town.

Clark - have joined Hendon.

 Dartford, whose manager John Still resigned last week, will not rush into appointing a replacement. Steve Wishart, the caretaker manager, is likely to remain in the job for at least a month while the Gola League club consider a permanent successor to Still. Three players — Tony Gibson, Derek Brown and David

 Southport continued their remarkable run in the FA Trophy this week with a 1-0 home victory over Scarborough in a second round, second replay. In the previous round Southport knocked out another Gola League club, Telford United, ers. Southport have signed my functions within the Mark Palios, the former French Football Federal Transmere Rovers and Company functions within the French Football Federal Company functions within the French Federal Company functions with the French Federal Company functions within the French Federal Company functions with the French Federal Company functions with the French Federal Company functions within the French Federal Company functions with the French Federal Company functions with the French Federal Company functions with and they now entertain a third. Kidderminster Harri-

the millionaire businessman

Hidalgo said in a statement that he had taken an "irrevo-

Hidalgo's future role with Marseilles is incompatible with his job as technical director, a post be was due to contract next June.

Palmer adds to the groans From John Ballantine, Pebble Beach As Sandy Lyle, Ken Brown and Peter Oosterhuis teed off sponsors, Her action was yesterday at Pehhle Beach, defended yesterday by Bud about the name of the event.

Vaillancourt, (11).

Giles, her associate for 39 years.
"I back her 100 per cent,"
Giles said. "Before Bing died, partnership with one of the lowest handicap amateurs, Charles Van Linge (3). Oosterhuis had a 16 handihe warned her and the boys not to let anyone change the tournament and advised her capper, Sandy Weill, along-side him, while Brown's partner was Boh to walk away from it if anyone ever did."

The professionals and the movie stars who make this unique format the success it is had differing attitudes. "I dnn'i think there'll be much difference," the veteran George Archer said, while the Ryder Cup player Tom Kite commented: "It is a shame to lose the name, but the same people are running the tournament. Boh Eastwood put the point of view of many players when he declared roundly: "Hell, I'm Crosby, withdrew the family Crosby, Clint Eastwood said still going to call it the name last year in protest at he was more worried about the giant telephone company the state of his game than

Early start favours play of Senior

Lyle, who is playing in his last tournament before force winds howled at Royal returning to London this weekend, teed off at 8.24 in players scored below-par to-Fosters Tasmanian Open. Several of the leading players, including Ian Roberts, the defending champion, Ossie Moore and Ian Baker-Boh Finch, were victims of the winds. Jeff Senior, of Queensland, who teed off early, beat the worst of the winds and the best of the field to take the lead with a four-under-The three Britons, like the rest of the 177 pairs, move rest of the 177 pairs, move around the three courses the lead (they are at Cypress today and Pehble tomorrow). If they are among the 70 leaders, they will complete a final round at Pebble tomorrow.

one-stroke advantage over final round at Pebble tommrrow. One advantage they have over Langer and Faldo is that the courses not hosting the celebrities tend to be graveyards of peace and quiet companed to the circus atmosphere of the show husiness field, with up to 40,000 fans flooding everywhere.

Peter Fowler.

First Round (US unless stated): 68: J Sentor (Aust). 69: P Fowler (RIZ): W Riley (NZ). 70: B Dunk: S Glarr; L Stephen. 71: S Elkington, P Jones. 72: J Marthu; F Conallin, P Croker, K Dukes, G Sentan, V Somers. Robert Stephens. 73: F Nobilo (NZ). M Person (Swe): 74: S Harper (Can), G Turner (NZ). 75: M Colandro; A Forsbrand (Swe): K Murray (Can). 76: M Lanner (Swe): P Powell (NZ):

Senior, aged 28, holds a

# The Catchpool to continue Gaselee's run of success

Nick Gaselee, the success- that this five-year-old, who ful Upper Lambourn trainer, has won his last two races at can continue his successful season by saddling John George's unbeaten steeplechaser. The Catchpool, to win been sent on such a long and

Gaselee's young jumpers have been nothing short of a revelation this season. The Catchpool being just one of several who have won first time out and then gone on to his trainer I think that he will be trained the season. better things.

Following victories at Lingfield in December and Lingfield in December and especially as Mr Key and here at Sandown earlier this Batu have been assessed month it was Gaselee's intention to take The Catchpool to Cheltenham last Saturday for a race that was similar to today's but over a shorter

However, after walking the course before racing he eventually decided to pull him out because he had reservations about the ground. What weighed on his mind was the fact that the start of the meeting had already been put back half an hour to allow more time for the frost to come out of the ground coupled to bis own knowledge that The Catchpool missed most of last season because of leg trouble. "It was simply not worth the risk." was the way that he explained his decision to me

So The Catchpool was immediately rerouted to the Esher course which he has already conquered in style this season. As the fences there are among the most difficult in the land, especially trappy for a comparative beginner, I expect The Catchpool to benefit from his earlier experience and now give weight and a beating to Indiana Dare, Mr Candy and Black Earl.

However, today's nap is entrusted to Sonny One Shine to win the Wavendon Handicap Hurdle and so justify his 800-mile round trip to Sandown from his trainer Richard Allan's home in the heart of Roxburgh-

Kelso and Ayr, each time on soft ground, in the manner of an improving horse, has not the Fairmile Novices' Handi-cap Chase at Sandown Park south simply for the benefit of his health.

be capable of making the fullest use of his light weight strictly according to how they finished at Windsor on New Year's Day.

Bettyknowes would be big danger at his best, but the fact remains he did finish a very long way behind the other two at Windsor after being pulled up in his previous race.

Nudge Nudge should be hard to bear in the Stanley Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Chase providing that he turns out to be as affective over 21/2 miles as he has shown himself to be over only two in the past.

With Our Fun and Lefrak City dropping by the wayside overnight, the path now looks easier for Pam Sykes' tough 11-year-old, Jo Colombo, to win Ibe Park Handicap Chase over what is arguably his best

Significantly, though, Our Fun's trainer, Josh Gifford, has decided to rely upon Paddyboro and be could prove most troublesome with only 10st 7lb 10 carry.

Finally, the two divisions of the January Novices Hurdle can go to Ramadi Dawn (1.30) and Timely Star (3.5) Sandown inspection

Sandown stewards will hold a precautionary inspection at, 7.30 this morning to determine prospects for racing. Today's other meetings at Kelso (frost) and Newton Albert (metales and Newton Abbot (waterlogging) were abandoned yesterday. Waterlogging also brought about the abandonit can be taken for granted Park card. \_\_\_\_



Jo Colombo, a fancied contender for the Park Handicap Chase at Sandown today

1.30 JANUARY NOVICE HURDLE (DIVISION 1) (£1,772 2m) (20 

SANDOWN

G ROMAN SING (D Martin-Betts) J T GRIDOT 7-11-0 K MOODBY

FF SLENCE PLEASE (D) (J B Rolls) P O Curdent 7-11-0. R ROWS

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Devn.5-1 Deer Crust.4-1 Flying trist,6-1 Have Ott.8-1 Coinpies Part,10
3,12-1 Prince Oberon,16-1 others

NLEY CONDITIONAL LOCALING

2.00 STANLEY CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE

(JOS-2711 41)(10)

3020/PU LATE NIGHT EXTRA (Lt Col E Philipp)

KC Balley 10-11-11 M Bosley

FT11/FOF THE THATCHER (C) (H Jos) J T Gifford 8-11-0 \_ E Marphy

1/2-0135 GARFURGEL (P H Beits)(sickings)(Ls) P Mitchell 7-10-9 C Cox

0-22311 NUDGE NADGE (F W Taylor) S Melor 6-10-0 (6 ex) G Landau

124F-01 HEHOPS YARM (British Thoroughtond R & S)

133005 ARAPAHO PRINCE (Middlerver Trading Co)

JA Edwards 7-10-3 M Bowlby

F-24P03 MEMBRIDGE (C) (P Duicees) P Duicees 11-10-0 \_ C Warned

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Thatcher,10-1 Late Night Edra, 12-1 others
2.30 FAIRMILE NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE (22,945:3m 118 yd)

3.05 JANUARY NOVICE HURDLE (DIVISION 2)( £1,758:2m)(19)

Sandown selections

By Mandarin 1.30 Ramadi Dawn. 2.00 Nudge Nudge. 2.30 The Catchpool. 3.05 Timely Star. 3.35 In Columbo. 4.05 SONNY ONE SHINE (nap)

3.35 PARK HANDICAP CHASE ( £3,048:2m 18 yd) F-1FUS3 THE REJECT (T Ludlow) F T When 7-11-10 \_\_\_ B de Heam 0921-21 \_\_\_\_O COLOMBO (B O'Brien) Mrs W Sylas 11-11-5P Warner 11070/4 SPRINGS ABBIT (C-O) (Mas S Villa) K C Balley 12 11 7 A JONES

JT Gillord 6-10-7 Sc Lafrek City 8-10-7 H Davies 9-2 T Forsier 7 ran Colombo,7-2 Peddyboro,4-1 Hope Of Oak,11-2 Freight Forwarder,13-2 The

4.05 WAVENDON HANDICAP HURDLE(\$2,204:2m)(5)

Scot can make world championships the highlight of her 18-year career

# Mrs Clarke on verge of breakthrough

It Lords Clarke is picked as without it ... the feeling yo one of the four riders for the get if you complete the course British team in the world three-day-event championships in Australia in May, it will be the first time in her 18 years at the forefront of the sport that she has been one of She has so far completed the selectors' initial choices the event 16 times on 12 for a British championship different horses. Although

Gynt were left out of the 1972 Olympics in Munich - despite having won the mini-Olympics the previous year -Mrs Clarke has met with her became only the second fair share of triumph and person to ride three horses disaster. Although eventually a member of both the 1983 and 1985 European Championship teams, on both occasions she replaced some-

Now, with both Myross and Glentrool on the shortlist for the championships, her claim for a place in the team looks powerful. She is happy with either; they both are outstanding cross-country horses, but the II-year-old Myross, on whom she won a team gold medal and individnal silver at last year's European Championships, is better at dressage. The Irish-bred Glentrool "hates it". All eight riders on the shortlist will travel to Australia but Mrs Clarke will have to make a decision on which horse to take after the shortlisted horses' final onting on 22 March. The quarantine period starts immediately after-

Although she could hedge her bets by putting both into quarantine, that would mean Badminton. Badminton's like a drug," Mrs Clarke says. "You don't want it but you can't do Scottish, does most of the

By Paul Harrison

Polonia, the leading teams in the Royal Bank League first division, are girding them-selves for their first meeting

this season, a match which could decide the destination

Both are undefeated but

Polonia have games in hand.

Realistically, no other team is

in with a chance. Dragonara

Leeds, in third place, have

Speedwell's progress so far

of the title.

lost six times.

Speedwell Rucanor and

clear is almost impossible to describe, the sheer exhibitstion and the gratitude and the 'oneness' you feel for your

sbe has yet to come in the Ever since she and Peter first three (she has been synt were left out of the 1972 fourth three times), her name (then Sutherland) has been written in the event's record books since 1970 when she round in the same year. (Australia's Bill Roycroft was the first.) After three months' rest in

the field following their one whose horse had gone autumn campaign, Myross and Glentrool currently are being houed into shape on Mrs Clarke's remote farm in Kirkendbrightshire. (She bought the 450-acre farm with its magnificent bouse in 1974 but she and her husband, Richard, a farmer, did not move there permanently until a year ago.)

Four weeks' walking is followed by trotting and some dressage. By mid-February, they will be cantering and jumping small obstacles, and by the end of that month they will start to gallop. Mrs Clarke does not subscribe to the relatively new "interval" the relatively new "interval" training used by Lucinda Green and other riders. "I find my method works and keeps the horses sound, so why change?" she said. Surrounded by hills, there is why change?" she said.
Surrounded hy hills, there is no problem getting horses fit but trying to practise dressage on a windswept Scottish hillside is a different matter.

Mrs. Clarke does have help from a retired

Mrs Clarke, who is fiercely

second division, in the Royal

Bank Cup.
The two should have met

before Christmas, hut Polonia's engagements in the

European Cup put the match

off until Sunday week, when they will do battle not at Speedwell's normal home court in Bath but at the

Soundwell Technical College

able on that day. Soundwell

is Speedwell's old bome and

where their women's and

The Bath venue is unavail-



Mrs Clarke: unsponsored work herself - fitting it in with the demands of being a wife and mother. Besides their own son, Roddy, aged 6, there are three other children by her busband's first mar-

Unlike most of the leading riders, she is content to remain unsponsored. "I like to be my own boss and make my own decisions about where to ride and when." Accordingly, she makes do with a minimum of help. "Occasionally, I feel a pang of envy if I'm at an

have help from a retired

The importance of the duel in the crown's destination

the league is all they have left. Speedwell themselves expect to be ready. Against Malory they will be putting out their full side for the first

time for some time as Barry

Clark, who has been sus-pended, and Paul Edwards

and Steve Pincott, who have

been injured, return.

Speedwell did not play last weekend but Polonia made

up valuable ground with

victories over Newcastle (Staffs) and Spark Crook Log.

Speedwell's progress so far this season has been fairly streec, while Polonia have strene, while Polonia have stumbled only once, against ocach, says that be expects of the expect of the expect

The return is scheduled to

Radio Trent Rockets, of the Polonia to be very sharp, as league title should have been quite capable of taking sets

Mossop have built Mrs it is a drug. Clarke's stables and recently At 42, her enthusiasm is Clarke's stables and recently Because of limited resources for spending on horses, Mrs Clarke has

developed a keen eye for a. cheap horse, often going for small borses rejected by other riders. Popadom, the coloured horse on whom she leapt into the public eye in 1967 with ber first of two wins at Burghley, cost £400 and Peer Gynt £550. She recently has added a new, intermediate horse, Fearlith Mor, to ber yard. He was first spotted by Ian Stark hut was too small for him, Mrs Clarke is a trim

One lesson learned over the years is that there is no credit for getting a bad horse going half decently. Two horses drove the lesson home — Aladdin, who got to the seventeenth fence at Badminton, and Swap Shop, who, although bought to sell as a Poay Club pony, got to Burghley only to dig his toes in at fence eight of the showjumping. Both performances exceeded her own expectations, but as neither horse was placed no one was

That she would even have attempted to get those horses to Burghley or Badminton is a reflection of her extraordinary determination. She has had several interruptions to her career — an inexplicable near loss of nerve in 1974, the birth of her son in 1979 and a broken leg in 1980 (after a fall from Greco at Badminton) — but each time she has come back. In the case of her son's birth couple who live on the farm In the case of her son's birth and many riders would envy - she was competing after only

decided.
With 12 games played and six to go, the position in the Royal Bank Scottish League

remains equally balanced be-tween two teams. Volvo

who have lost twice.
The crucial match there

22, when the two are sched-

her them. Mr and Mrs four weeks. Like Badminton,

put up a sturdy horse shelter undimmed. While admitting in the field. that she probably has seen the best years of the sport "It's all so professional now" - she thrives on the competitiveness, constantly spuring berself on to new heights. Throughout her career she has had the unflinching support of ber mother, Monica. Support was not quite how Irish television saw it in the

1970 world championships in Punchestown. They dubbed her a "cruel eventing mother." Her offence had been to stand at the most dangerous fence un the course and, when Lorns took her second fall on the course there, Mrs Sutherland swept her back into the saddle and sent her on her way before there was time to draw breath. Mrs Clarke rememhers it with a smile and with gratitude: "No other mother would have done it but she knew what it meant to me to finish the championships."
At this year's champion-ships Mrs Clarke will be setting herself a higher target than merely finishing. In order to beat the Americans, the reigning Olympic cham-pions, the British perfor-mance will have to be

faultiess. Ironically, it is the advice given by an American rider at Munich that she still carries with her. Learning of her exclusion from the team, he told her: "You've just got to do even better." Mrs Clarke will be out to do just that member?

Jenny MacArthur VOLLEYBALL: SPEEDWELL AND POLONIA WARM UP FOR KEYCLASH OF THE GIANTS

off either. And the title may

In the women's first di-

vision, the position is equally

light. Provincial Insurance (formerly Telford) lead Scot-

and key engagements should be Scottish Farm's match

row. Finnies having been the

ference.

Trucks, with only one defeat. (formerly Telfind) lead Scot-lead Murray International Leading on set difference. They both

team over the past decade, also have six matches to play,

takes place also on February against Finnies Sport tomor-

uled to meet on Volvo's only team to beat Scottish

bome court. Both still have Farm this season, as well as

**REAL TENNIS** 

### Radley fall on a rock of ages

By Williams Stephens

Winchester's 3-0 win over Radley, the holders, at Queen's Club has given them the Henry Leaf Schools' Old Boys real tennis cup for the 29th time since the counpetition started in 1922. Radley had taken the cup

for the first time last year, ending an 11-year Wykebemist reign. Alan Lovell, the amateur champion, has played in 12 of these Winchester victories and this lime be took revenge on Julian Snow, who beat him last year.

Snow, ranked No 2 amons the amateurs, is determined to become amateur champion and demonstrated his fervour against Lovell, who lost the first set. He took the second however, as Snow lapsed into error. The third set produced the

best tennis. Lovell, serving an accurate railroad, was strong on the volley and forced the grille frequently. He gained a 5-3 lead before Snow raised his game to have set point at 5-5 and 40-15 attacking chase 2 and 3. Lovell showed discipline and composure in overcoming the challenge and won by 5-6, 6-2, 6-5, 6-1. Winchester's third string, Peter Seabrook, has represented Britain in the Bathurst Cup amateur international team competition and has featured in nine Wykehemist victories. He beat Mark Drysdale, the replacement for

chicken poxvictim Thane Warburg, in straight sets. The coup de grace was administered by a key participant in Winchester's 16 victories in the last 20 years -Howard Angus, the former world champion of both real tennis and rackets.
Now 41, Angus was able to

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**Breach of duty** creates no

# criminal offence

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Regina v Horseferry Road Justices, Ex parte Indepen-dent Broadcasting Authority Before Lord Justice Lloyd and Mr. Justice Stocker

Before Lord Justice Lloyu and Mr Justice Stocker [Judgment given January 30] Section 4(3) of the Broadcasting Act 1981, which imposed a duty on the Independent Broadcasting Authority (IBA) to satisfy themselves that programmes broadcast by them did not include subliminal images, did not create a criminal offence. The Queen's Bench Divisional Court, allowing the IBA's application for judicial review, quashed a committal summons issued against them by the Horseferry Road Justices on the information of Mr Norris Dewar McWhirter, Norris Dewar McWhirter, which alleged that in breach of section 4(3) of the 1981 Act: "There was transmitted on independent television in the course of the programme Sputing Image ... an image of the informant's head in an indecent montage of such brief duration that it might influence the minds of viewers without their being aware ... of what was being done".

Mr David Kemp, QC and Miss Vivienne Rose for the IBA; Mr Francis Bennion for Mr MeWhirter; the justices did not appear and were not ndependent television in the

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LORD JUSTICE LLOYD, delivering a reserved judgment, said that on July 30, 1985, the IBA's solicitors wrote to the justices clerk stating that the justices had no jurisdiction to hear the summons since it disclosed no offence known to the less. The deleterable sheet seems the law. The clerk replied that the point of law raised by the would have to be rais the close of the prosecution case when the summons was

In the light of that reply, the present proceedings for judicial review were launched.

whether, assuming a breach, section 4(3) created a criminal offence. That was a pure question of statutory construc-

Where Parliament intended to create a criminal offence, it almost invariably said so in terms. That was certainly so in modern statutes. There was no express provision creating an offence in relation to section

Counsel for Mr McWhirter submitted that that was not conclusive, and relied on the ancient doctrine of contempl of statute. Breach of the duty under section 4(3) was sufficient, it was said, to put the IBA in contempt of statute, and render them hable on indictment to an unlimited from Them was nothing in the fine. There was nothing in the section, he said, to disapply the

loctrine. He further submitted that section 4(3), unlike section liament did nol 4(1), did not involve any value reate an offence, judgments. The IBA could lt was unnecess readily satisfy themselves that subliminal images were not included in programmes by the purchase of a cheap device and failure to use such a device should be indictable.

Assuming for the moment that the doctrine still existed, though all but obsolete, his Lordship disagreed with those submissions for several rea-

First, nowadays, Parliament almost always said in terms when it intended to create an Second, to deny that section 4(3) created an offence was not

10 of created an orience was not to deprive it of all effect. If the IBA neglected or refused to perform their duty under the subsection, it would be open to the Attorney-General, or perhaps an individual, to apply for n order of mandamus.
Third, the standard of compliance with section 4(3) was a subjective one, and an nbligation to use "best endeavours": Would be prohibited.

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see R v 1BA. Ex parte 18 hitchouse (The Times April 4, 1985). It was unlikely in the extreme that Parliament intended to create a criminal offence out of anything so subjective as whether or not the 1BA had or had not used best endeavours.

The mere imposition of a duty did not in every case carry with it the corollary of a criminal offence. It depended on the true construction of the statute whether a failure to comply with the duty created an offence or not.

His Lordship would therefore provisionally conclude that section 4(3) did not create a criminal offence.

What was the present status of the doctrine of contempt of statute?

The first mention of contempt of statute which his Lordship had found was in the Commentary on the Statute of Westminster the First (1275) Westminster the First (1275) p163: "Whenever an Act of Parliament duth generally prohibit anything . . . the party grieved shall not have his action only for his private relief, but the offender shall be punished at the King's suit for the contempt of his law..."

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The question was also dealt with in Hawkins' Pleas of the Crown 8th edition (1824), Book 1, Ch25, p6.

The rule in Hawkins had been relied on in R v Price (1840) 11 Ad & E 727), R v Hall ((1891) 1 QB 747). The Torni ([1932] P 78), and was eited with approval in Rathbone v Bundock ([1962] 2 QB 260), and R v Lennox-Wright ([1973] Crim LR 529). In 1976, the Law Commission described the doctrine of contempt of statute as obsolete contempt of statute as obsolete but not dead. They recom-mended that it be abolished. They said In essence this is a matter of statutory construction; and the modern approach would . . . be to ask whether, in absence of an express provision making particular conduct an offence, there was any intent by Parliament to penalise that

conduct. The answer today, we suggest, would always be in the negative." What emerged clearly from all the authorities was that it was a question of construction whether a breach of statutory duty for which Parliament had provided no remedy created an

offence or not. Among the factors which had to be considered were: (i) whether the duty was mandatory or probibitory; (ii) whether the statute was ancient or modern; and (iii) whether there were any other means of enforcing the duty. In the case of a mandatory duty imposed by a modern statute, enforceable by judicial

review, it was an almost irresistible inference that Par-liament did not intend to IBA urged, to say that the rule

or "doctrine" had never been mose than a rule of construc-

There was no longer any presumption, if indeed there ever had been, that a breach of statutory duty was indictable. Nowadays, the presumption, if any, was the other way. Put another way, is required clear language, or a clear inference. Section 4(3) imposed a mandatory duty. No offence was defined; no penalty imposed. The duty was enforceable by judicial review. On its true construction, it created no

The IBA were right to apply for judicial review when they did. The application would be granted, the summons quashed, and all further proceedings

### Time limits must be enforced

Hollis v R.B.Jenkins (a firm) other cases and to society

Hollis v R.B. Jenkins (a firm) and Another

It was in the public interest that the time limits prescribed by the Rules of the Supreme Court for issuing a notice of appeal and for setting down appeals should be enforced.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice May, Lord Justice Raiph Gibson and Mr Justice Rocker) so stated on January 29 granting an application by the plainuff to strike out a notice of appeal issued by the first defendant against a judgment of Mr Justice Beldam, who nn March 7, 1985 had awarded the plaintiff £180,000 damages for personal injuries. The court dismissed the first defendant's application for an extension of def-endant's application for an extension of time for setting down the appeal.

LORD JUSTICE MAY said

generally whose interest it was that disputes and litigation should be disposed of as swiftly as justice allowed.

Delay in one case had a domain effect on all future cases, the hearing of which would be put back as delayed cases were inserted into the list for speedy hearing.

Defendants' solicitors and their clients, especially those Defendants solictions and their clients, especially those whn frequently engaged on litigation where insurers were the effective defendants, ought always to have the time limits in mind. Attempts to negotiate settlements were too niten used as pretexts for delaying steps in proceedings or for applying for

extensions.

Attention should be paid to the words of Lord Justice Griffiths in C.M. van Stillevoldt BV v E.L. Carriers Inc [1983] 1 WLR 207,212) and to Practice Note (Appeal: Documents) ([1983] 2 All ER 416). The seven-month delay in this case was uttent. that failure to comply with the time limits imposed by Order 59 of the Rules of the Supreme Court caused prejudice not only to the other parties to the litigation but also in litigants in solution 1983 | 2 All ER 416). The seven-month delay in this case was utterly mordinate and inexcusable.

### Inspector can consider other matters

John Pearcy Transport Ltd v Secretary Of State for the Environment and Another

An inspector appointed by the Secretary of State for the Environment for the purpose of determining an appeal under section 88 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1971 was winner at Cheltenham last Saturday, is set to make a quick reappearance in the Stroud Green Hurdle at Considering questions of law Newbury next Friday.

Mr David Widdicombe, QC, silling as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held on January 27 in allowing an appeal under section 246 of the 1971 Act against the decision of the secretary of September 15, 1983, dismissing the company's appeal from the decision of the company's appeal from the the company's appeal from the decision of Hounslow London Borough Council to issue two enforcement notices upon it in respect of alleged breaches of planning control.

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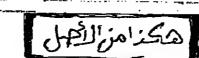
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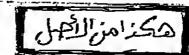


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12.30 News After Noon with Frances Coverdale and Moira Stuart includes news headlines with subtitles 12.55 Regional details come from Michael Fish .

1.00 Pebble Mill at One. Today sees the leunch of the Pichard Burton Drama Award - s play writing competition. In the studio are the judges - Sally Button, the actor's widow, sctor John Hurt; playwinght Psm Gems; and from the RSC, Colin Chambers and Ron Daniels 1.45 King Rollo. A See-Sa pprogramme for the very young (r) 1.50 Bric-a-Brac (r)

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4.55 Newsround Extra. Psul McDowell reports on the modern day Exodus when thousands of black Jews. known as Falashas, were takenfrom Ethiopia le

5.10 Grange Hill. Episode eight and Zogy is in trouble again (Ceefax) 5.35 Faxt. Bill Odie and his team snser more viewers questions

6.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell Weather 6.35 London Ph/s

7.00 Wogan announces the winner of the Spot the Stars competition, talks to Donald Sinder and Brian Jacques, and listens to ner of the Spot the Richard Clayderman

7.40 International Snooker. The fourth quarterfinal of the Benson and Hedges

8:15 Dynasty. Alexis and Des Denver, while Blake is having marital problems with his wife's doppelganger (Ceefax)

9.00 News with John **Humphrys and Andrew** Harvey. Weather 9.30 Lovejoy. The wheeler

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and songs (r) 11.00 International Snooker. Further coverage of the fourth quarterfinal of the Benson and Hedges Masters introduced by Wembley Conference Centre. Tha commentators are Ted Lowe, Jsck Karnehm and

12.45 Weather

A TUSAM 6.15 Good Morning Britain, presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen; news with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.17, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; exercises at 6.20 and 9.17; sport at 6.35 and 9.17; sport at 6.35 and 7.34; cartoon at 7.24; pop video at 7.55; Nigel Dempster's gossip column at 8.17; Jimmy Greaves' television highlights at 8.34; director flugh Hudson talks about his film Revolution at 8.45; cecked

cooking at 9.04; and a colection of priceless jewellery at 9.12

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9.25 Thames news headlines 9.30 For Schools: the woods in

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talks to s group from London's 1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news presented by John

1.30 Film: Eyewitness\* (1956)

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3.30 Mr and Mrs. Quiz game for married couples 3.25

4.00 Rainbow. A repeat of the

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they have decided to take the law into their own

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10.30 The London Programm John Taylor examines Fleet Street's latest

11.00 South of Watford, Hugh

11.30 ice Skating. The Men's

Free Programme of the European Figure Championships

Laune examines the shop design revolution

crisis. Followed by LWT

10.00 News at Ten with

news

12.30 Night Thoughts

5.15 ice Skating. The Ladies'

5.45 News with Carol Barnes

7.00 Aibion Market. Lynne is

(Oracle)

7.30 Murder, She Wrote:

8.30 Constant Hot Water.

9.00 The Gentle Touch. The

6.00 The 6 O'Clock Show.

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with the help of puppets 12.30 Here to Stay. Trevor Hyett in the fifth of his series of







The Cheers company: (Channel 4, 10.00pm). Centre: Rita Tushingham and Dora Bryan: A Taste of Honey (Channel 4, 11.30pm) Right. Patricia Phoenix and Prunella Gee (ITV, 8.30pm)

Radio 4

### BBC2 2.30 A Question of

For Schools: the woods in springtime 9.47 How we used to five - coping with flu epidemic 10.09 Maths:mirrors 10.26 Science - force and friction 10.48 English - making meanings 11.15 Making cheese in s farm and s factory 11.27 Helping the elderty and children who have walking pproblems 11.40 Ths uses of computers 9.00 Ceefax 9.35 Daytime on Two: French Daytime on Two: French conversation 9.52, Part four of The Boy from Space 10.15 Maths: mirror images 10.38 A tour of the madieval Haddon Hall, on the outskirts of Bakewell in Derbyshire 11.00 Behind the scenes at John Lewis's store in Edinburgh 11-22 A portrait of the United States' 'Sun

Belt' city - Phoenix 11.44 Jobs for women 12.05 Part four of the series illustrating the capability of computers 12.35 Computers in education snds at 1.00) 1.10 Science: the Periodic Table 1.33 The Panorama programme about the Japanese scout who smuggled haroin 2.00 The Welsh ladies' rugby team from the village of Magor 2.30 English; the power of

2.55 Ceetax

3.50 International Snooker. Further coverage of the third quarterfinal of the Benson and Hedges Masters, introduced by David loke

5.20 News Summary with subtitles. Weather

5.25 Film: The Scarlet Pimpernet\* (1934) starring Leslie Howard, Merle Massey. Baroness Orczy's classic, set at the time of the French Revolution, shout a seemingly toppish British aristocraf who is , in reality, a mysterious hero who is saving the lives of members of the French aristocracy. Directed by Harold Young

7.00 Micro Live includes a report Pittsburg' Carnegie-Mellon University which boasts a \$15million campus computer system. Presented by ian McNaught-Davis and Fred

7.30 Ebony, Magazine programme for Britain's black communities, presented by Juliet Alexander

8.00 Travellers in Time. The story of Sir Alan Cobham's flight in 1925 from Croydon to Cape Town

and back (r) 8.30 Gardeners' World. An utumn tour of the Hille Arboretum in Hampshire. With Roy Lancaster and Geoff Hamilton

9.00 Tom O'Comor, This week the entertainer examines another peculiar aspect of our culture with assistance from Floy Hudd

9.35 Three Painters. Sir Lawrence Gowing examines works by

18.15 Did You See ..? Michael Kustow, Roy Hattersley and Diane Hayter comment on Saturday Review, Spitting Image and From the Horse's

11.00 Newsnight. 11.45 Weather

11.50 European Figure Skating Championships. The Men's Free Programme.

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Economics. The second and final part of a feature on the merits of both nationalization and private 3.00 Dance Matinee. The Sydney Dance Company perform a radical re-interpretation of the classic tale, Daphnis and Chice; and Syvilla, Ayoka Chenzira's portrait of black American dencer, Syvilla Fort 4.30 Countdown, Yesterday's

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5.00 | Dream of Jeannie. The last of the current series and Tony, after telling Jeannie that he is going to search for Captain Kidd's treasure, is taken back in time to serve as a deck hand on one ol Kidd's

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5.30 The Tube presented by
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of being a disservice to schizophrenia sufferers 8.90 What the Papers Say, John Lloyd of the Financial Times casts a critical eye over how the Press has been treating the week's 8.15 A Week in Politics,

presented by Peter Jay. This week's edition includes a report on the decline of union power under Mrs Thatcher, Plus, the latest news on the

Westland sags Brothers. Joe is thrilled to bits when his daughter graduates from High-School, and decides to buy her a car. But raising the necessary cash is a

problem 9.30 How Does Your Garden Grow?.Philip Wood and David Wilson visit the Bready, Co Tyrone, garden of Bob Deveraux

(Oracle) 10.00 Cheers. The first of a new series of the comedies set in a Boston ber finds Frisier an emotional wreck after being left at the church by Diene; and a new barman to replace the lamented Coach who

died (Oracle) 10.30 Just Leave Your Luggage at the Door, presented by David Brandon, a Zen Buddhist teacher and s director of MIND. This documentary illustrates basic meditation (Oracis)

11.30 Fan: A Taste of Honey (1961) starring Rita
Tushingham and Dora
Bryan. The touching
Shelagh Delaney story of
the plain ght, living in
Salford with her sluttish mother, who becomes pregnant by a sailor and is befriended by a young homosexual. Directed by

Tony Richardson 1.20 Film: Muscle Beach (1950) The macho men of a beach in the United States. Directed by Joseph Strick and Irving

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9.05 Desert Island discs. Michael Parkinson talks to Roy Hattersley, MP (r) t. 9.45 The Armeda revenged. Fifth of six tables on Spain by Ray Gosfing (r).

10.00 News; International 10.30 Morning story; Weekend by Elizabeth Evans. Reader: Mary Wimbush.

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12.00 News; The food programme with Derek Cooper.

howier monkeys.

12.27 In One Ear. Comedy hatf-hour (r). 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archers, 1.55 Shipping.

2.00 News; Woman's Hour from Birmingham. Includes a special feature on autistic children, and an interview with Queen Mary's hairdresser, H.D. Steiner.

3.00 News; Jude the Obscure. Thomas Hardy's novel drametized in 8 parts, with Michael Pennington as Jude (1) with Michael Pennington (r) L. 4.00 News

4.05 Frank Muir goes into... Eccentricity. With ALfred Marks (r)t. 4.30 Kaleidoscope (a second

chance to hear last night's edition)(R). 5.00pm: News Magazine, S.50 Shipping Forecast, 5.55 Weather.

6.00 News; Financial Report.

6.30 Going places. Clive Jacobs and his team monitor the world of travel and transport. 7,00 News

7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the week, TV and radio extracts, chosen by Margaret

8.20 Law in Action:Makers of the law talk to Joshua Rozenburg.

8.45 Any Questions? John Sefwyn Gummer, MP, Dr Elizabeth Cottrell, Denzil Davies, MP, and Jack Boddy tackde Issues raised

9.30 Letter from America, by Alistair Cooke.

9.45 Kaleidoscope, includes items on the BBC2 series Fother and volume one of the Keets correspondence.

19.15 A book at bedtime : Wind, Sand and Stars by Antione de Saint-Exapery (final part). Reader: Joh Bennett. 10.29 Weather 10.30 The world tonight.

11.00 Today in Parliament. 11.15 The financial world tomant 11.30 Week Ending. Satirical

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12.00 News; Weather, 12.33 Shipping Forecast.

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7.05 Morning Concert: Morrang Concert
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8.05 Morning Concert (cont'd: Gershwn's Promenade. Gerstwin's Promenade.
Waling the Dog (Los Angles PO): Bernstein's Chichester Psalms (Vienna Youth Choir and Israel PO), Coptend's film music from Our Town (LSO); Dou Harrie's Sumphone No S Roy Harris's Symphony No 3 (New York PO). 9.00

9.05 This Week's Composer: Defus Concerto for cello Defus Concerts for case and orchestra (Jacquelins du Pre and RPO): Sonata No 3 (Ralph Holmes, vroin and Fenby, piano): Cynars (John Shrisy-Quirk, bardone and Royal Liverpool PO).

Medelssohn and Schumann: Katheron Sturrock (piano). Scriumann's Faschingsschwank aus Wien; and Mendelsschin Sorigs without Words No 3 in A; No 12 in F sharp; No 15, No 20, No 22, No 25 and No 42.

10.45 Langham Chamber
Orchestra (under
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Adeney (fluts), Leslie
Pearson (harpsichord).
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d'enfants: Les Brouwer' Mompou's Scenes
d'enfants; Leo Brouwer's
Retratos Catalans;
Nussio's Rubenstara.
11.40 Counter-tenor and
lute: Charles Brett and
Robert Spencer. The
works include Machaut's Se je souspir; Binchois's Margante, fleur de valeur Alan Ridour's Lute Suite,

1970; Rosseter's What then is love but mourning? 12.15 BBC Weish SO (under Jacek Kasprzyk), with Jennifer Smith (soprano). Part one. Grace Williams's Sea Sketches: Mozart's Symphony No 31, 1.00 News.

1.05 Concert: pert two. Mahler's Symphony No.4.

2.05 Thea King and the Budapest String Trio: Mozart's errangement of Bach's Adagio and Fugue in G minor, K 404a No 2: Kokal's Quartettino for clarinet and string tho; Rolla's String Trio No.4.

Sinfonietta (under Normation), with Ronsid Thomas (violin). Britten's Sintometta op 1; Finzi's Introit: Schubert's Syn

3.40 Bach: Virginia Black (harpsichord) plays the French Suite No 6 in E, BWV 4.00 Choral Evensong: from Chelmstord Cathedral; 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure; Graham Fawcett's selection of recorded music.

6.30 Guitar Music: Martin Mystivecek plays Rak's Hinnish Story: Antonio Lauro's Variations on s Venezuelan Children's Song: Foro's Variations; Carlos Seixas's Sonata; Petr Eben's

7.00 One-shot McBean; Angus McBean, the noted photographer, in conversation with Colin Ford (r).

7.30 I Capuleti a i Montecchi, Bellinus opera. Sung in Italian, Riccardo M conducts the Chorus and Orchestra of the Royal
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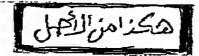
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By Ronald Faux

The number of young leukaemia victims living near Doubreay nuclear plant in Caithness gives "cause for concern", says a study into the incidence of cancer in northern Scotland.

"The study, carried out by the Scottish Health Service Common Service Agency, found five cases of leukaemia in young people under the age of 25, four under 15-year-olds, in the area of Dounreay between 1979 and 1984. Four of the victims lived in Thursa 12 kilometres from Thurso, 12 kilometres from the nuclear station. The fifth lived only 3 kilometres away. There were no similar recorded cases of leukaemia io the area between 1968 and

Four were originally reg-istered as acute lymphoid, and one as acute myeloid leukaemia, but this diagnosis was changed. There were no similar recorded cases of leukaemia in the area between 1968 and 1978. "On the other hand, the

fact that all reported cases within 25km occurred within a five-year period, five of them were in children under 15 and five within 12.5km of Dounreay, may increase its potential importance. Similar findings have been reported near other ouclear installatioos: Sellafield, Huntersdon, Aldermastoo and West Burghfield," the

The findings were given in a letter today to The Lancet by Dr. Michael Heasman, director of the Information Services Division of the agency. He said that while the fiodings were difficult to evaluate, they were cause forconcern. An examination of all other childhood cancers and of leukaemia and certain types of cancer io adults showed no significant in-crease around Dounreay,

jersey all suggested a return to traditional conture ele-The study was commissioned as part of the public gance. The designers are trading again in a fashion inquiry into plans to develop a ouclear reprocessing plant currency debased by the at Doumnay

# Paris 'couture' is back in fashion



sixties and From Suzy Menkes, Paris swinging sportswear revolution. The youngest, freshest and sexiest collections for 20 years have put Paris conture In a return to the style of the 1950s, Yves Saint Lan-rent and Givenchy both back on the fashioo map. paraded their collections

A new-found confidence and energy pulsated through the shows, as the once-staid designers holked skirts above without background music. Models, once slaves to the rhythm, glided silently down the catwalk to show off the the knee and moulded their superb clothes. clothes sensuously round the Audiences have doubled in the last two years and the conture collections are now Curvy tailoring, seductively bursting out of the gilded salons. Next season they will draped evening dresses, delicate lace and sweeps of silk

be united under one roof in the foyer of the Grand Palais, which houses France's finest art exhibitions. Money is the key to the ative energy of the once morihand hante conture (starting price £10,000).

The number of elite customers has remained stable at

3,500, but this international clientele is buying an increas-ing number of outfits. A 40 per cent increase in contine turnover is reported by M Jacques Mouclier, president-elect of the Chambre Syndicale.

States dollar has brought American customers back to the conture, according to M Minister of Culture, has Mouclier. But the most important source of patronage is fashion as art by allowing undoubtedly the Arab cus-ready-to-wear shows to be

More significant for the French fashion industry as a whole is the latest surveys by the Comite Colbert of tourist shopping habits. Designer labels account for 82 per cent

of fashion purchases made by The socialist government, greeted with dread by the French high fashion industry. has in fact been it's great benefactor. Investment in the new fashion museum alone has been £5 million. Culture minister M Jack Lang, the

staged at the Louvre court-yard and in the Tuileries

With the French general election only six weeks away, all sides are showing a high fashion profile. Yesterday, Jacques Chirac, the Rightist major of Paris M Jacques Chirac, the Rightist mayor of Paris, hosted the Golden Thimble awards The two sides came ele

antly together at the show of Madame Gres, aged 84, the of haute conture. But Madame Mitterand, in a discreet brown suit, and Madame Chirac, in cobalt blue, were tactfully placed in different rooms of the conture salon. (Photographs: Harry Kerr)

### Hotel in sear of its past

The Hotel de la Grande But there was a Bretagne has launched an from an artillery shell appeal to its friends and 1917 by the Royalis appeal to its friends and 1917 by the bullet appeal to its friends and patrons worldwide to enrich its archives by coming forward with any significant mementos of its chequered history which began io 1874. Athens was then a middling town of 67,000 people, plagued by a chronic water shortage that often brought the new hotel's liveried servants out on the street to Next to it was the range. servants out on the street to Next to it was the calli-

wars and the German because of terrorism.

the only patch of free Greek

of the British Army which eventually defeated the communist bid for power, as well as the haunt of celebrated war correspondents who watched history in the making provided the communist bid for the communist bid for the communist bid community and the community an ing practically from the GB bar's doorstep.

In a spectacular reaction against Winston Churchill's surprise visit to Athens over Chistmas 1944, the communist insurgents planted one ton of TNT in a sewage tunnel directly under the

hotel to blow it up.

But a British sapper oo guard duty espied a suspicious cord through a manhole and tragedy was averted. Mercifully, no mementos from this gruesome incident were displayed at the prelimi-nary exhibition of memorabilia from the hotel's past that was inaugurated Athens this week

buy drinking water for the graphic recipe for orange guests from ionerant vendors. The GB, as it is affect Pierre Loti, the French novtionately known to genera-tions of Athenians, is not just the oldest existing hotel in town. It is an historic called "A Glimpse into the landmark that was often the bub of this nadon's political bub of this nadon's political fortunes, a silent witness of its vicissitudes — eleven look for comfort. The proscoups d'etal, four dictatorships, a civil war, two world wars and the German beautiful fortunes of terrorism.

wars and the German because of terrorism.

The occupancy rate these converted into the Wehrmacht's headquarters.

At one point in 1944, when the communist guerrillas had overrun Greece, the GB and a few blocks around it were the only patch of free Greek

True, the number of foreign tourists leapt from six to seven million in 1985 and the territory.

The hotel was the seat of the beleaguered Greek Government, then led by George with 1.3 million. But for the the series of the series were lever the series of Papandreou, the present first time there were lewer Prime Minister's late father. Americans and this hurts like was also the headquarters huxury hotels like the GB. The Greeks blame all this on the travel warning put out by President Reagan last June urging Americans to keep out of Athens Airport after the hijack of the TWA

flight to Rome. Security at Athens ai rport has since been tightened, hut the proliferation of to rrorist acts in the region in the last quarter of 1985 induced the Americans to be walry of European airports or Medi-terranean cruises, and seek their pleasures nearer home, There is one comforting

thought in all this," said the general manager, Mr. Apostolos Doxiadis. "i' is that io a way we are all — is rael, Italy, Spain and we - 10 the same bag. So we can combine forces to fight

Marie Modiano

### Today's events

Music
Performances of chamber
works by Priaulx Rainier,
selected by her and performed
by her friends; British Music
Information Centre, 10 Strat-

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by her friends; British Music Information Centre, 10 Stratford Place, W1; 7.30.
Cello recital by Julian Lloyd Webber; Lion Music Hall, Slarewsbury; 7.45.
Concert by NCOS Symphony Orchestra; St. John's Smith Square, SW1; 7.30.
Don Rendell Duo, saxophone flute clarinet quiter suiter e, flute, clarinet, guitar

and bass; Royal Festival Hall; Recital by Ann Hooley (violin) and Stephen Betteridge (piano); Purcell Room, Royal

Festival Hall; 7.30.

BBC Concert Orchestra, Stanley Black (conductor); The Hexagon; Reading; 7.30. East of England Orchestra; William Houghton (trumpet), Mansfield Leisure Centre; 7.30.

Songs by Schumann, Strause ad Wolf, Mitsuko Shirai (soprano) and Hartmut Holl (piano); Wigmore Hall, WI;

Hall; 7. Albany Brass Ensemble; Royal Institution, River Street, Truce, 7.30.

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15 Story-teller memory? (4).

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11 Fail to find our little ist

13 Some Romans were doubt satisfied (8).

20 Raiser of Derby's bid by 500 (6). Setting stuck into food, ending with fish (8).

23 Triumph or disaster for Kipling 24 Sort of university - ruddy good

Organ recitals by James Parsons; Reid Hall, Edinburgh Parsons, Reid Hall, Ediabargh University, 1.10, Houstoo Church, Renfrewshire, 8, Organ recital by John Scott; German Christ Church, Montpelier Place, SW7; 7.30. Steve Reich and Musicians; Manchester Concert Hall, Royal Northern College of Music; 7.30.

A Tribute to Nat King Cole with Danny Williams; St David's Hall, The Hayes, Cardiff; 7.30.

Cardiff; 7.30.
Indian community dance gala; South Hill Park Wilde Theatre, Brackwell; 7.30.

Concert by the Beaux Arts Trio; Dudley Town Hall, 7.30. Chandos Chamber Choir; Messiah from scratch, Stephen's Dulwich,SE21; 7.30. Church,

Talks, lectures, films June Redfern opens her studio to visitors, Artist in Residence: The National Gal-

lery, WC2; 2.

Masterpieces of Persian,
Turkish and Mughal painting,
by Barbara Brend; 12; Manuscript treasures from India, by
Barbara Brend; 2;The British
Library galleries, WC1.

A Penny Reading: A Victorian evening of prose, verse
and worse by 19th Century
writers; by Gabriel Woolf,
Leysland High School,
Countesthorpe, 7.30.

preceding announcer (>). Trusty device used by criminal?

Send-off for loser after title fight,

perhaps (8). 8 Artist's sign on a way in (8).

14 Special operation shortly arranged for this church (9).
 15 Painter with a view of the country? (8).

and government (5,3). 18 Urban centre in Bangor, for example (8).

### Time - Cult and Calculation in Hellenistic and early medi-eval schools; by Professor

Wesley M Stevens; Durham University, 43 North Bailey, Durham City; 8. Salvator Rosa, Witches at

Salvator Rosa, Witches at their incantations, lecture by Felicity Woolf; National Gallery, WC2; 1.

Variations oo a theme, The reclining female figure; lecture by Mary R Elliss; 1.; Video Artists on tour; Kevin Atherion; 8. Tate Gallery, SW1.

### **Anniversaries**

Births: Franz Schubert, Vi-Births: Franz Schubert, Vi-cana, 1797; Zane Grey, nov-clist, Zanesville, Ohio, 1872; Ama Pavlova, Leningrad, 1882. Deaths: Guy Fawkes, to-gether with three fellow conspirators, was hanged, drawn and quartered, London, 1606; Charles Edward Stnart, the Young Pretender, Rome, 1788; John Galsworthy, novelist, London, 1933; A.A. Milne, writer, creator of Christopher Robin, etc. Hartfield, Sussex, 1956; Samuel Goldwyn, film-producer, Los Angeles, 1974.

Top Films

The top box-office films in Lon-

2 (1) A Chorus Line
3 (3) Kiss of the Spider Woman
4 (2) Back to the Future
5 (-) Teen Wolf
6 (5) Year of the Dragon
7 (6) Defence of the Realm
8 (-) Death in a French Gerden
9 (4) Death Wish III
10 (7) Letter to Brezhnev

The top films in the provinces:

I Back to the Future

2 National Lampoons Europe Vacation
3 Death Wish III
4 Prize (a.m.)

### Top video rentals

1 (-) Rambo: First Blood II
2 (1) Ghostbusters
3 (2) Gremlins
4 (3) Beverley Hills Cop
5 (4) The Terminator
6 (5) The Never Ending Story
7 (6) Wizards of the Lost Kingdom
8 (6) Into the Night
9 (8) The Last Starfighter
10 (8) Water

Supplied by Water Business

### The pound

Bank Selection 1,955 23,22 68,405 12,205 12,205 10,135 21,135 210,255

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barcleys Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' chaques and other longin currency business.

London: The FT Index closed up 5.1 at 1155.1.

### Food prices

Retail meat prices have fallen this week, with the biggest change on beef, rump biggest change on beef, rump and sirtion steaks which are down 4p per lb to an average. £2.85, and £3.30 respectively. Top side and silverside, at £2.16 a lb, is down 2p. Leg of pork averages £1.04, down 2p.Loin chops at £1.40, and boneless shoulderat £1.22, are also cheaper. All home produced lamb is down about 1p per lb, with the exception of best- end chops and middle Jacklin Lane, West Alresford, Hampshire. Midlands: M1: Contraflow

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on roundabout at junction 18 ( best- end chops and middle neck Average price for whole leg is £1.71, loin chops £1.93, and whole shoulder £1.03. New leg is 11.71, foin chops 11.93, and whole shoulder £1.03. New Zealand loin chops also down to an average £1.44 per lb.

Some good meat buys at shops and supermarkets this week: Sainsbury Topside of beef £1.88 per lbt, New Zealand whole shoulder of lamb 58p lbt, Azda home produced minced beef 89p lb, fruzen, grade A turkey 3lb 40z at £1.39 lbt. Safeway beef shoulder braising steak £1.39 per lb and breaded turkey escalopes £1.25 each; Finefare fruzen chickens 3lb 40zs to 4lbs 47p per lbt. Dewhurst and Baxter rump steak £2.79 per lbt, Tesco New Zealand lamb leg 98p per lb and shoulder 52p per lbt. Bejam pork chump chop 2½-3lb packs 95p per lb and New Zealand lamb legs 99p per lb down 30p. Marks and Spencer have 20p per lb off their beef cuts.

Trout, once a luxury food, is

Scotland: A832: Reconstruc

Trout, once a luxury food, is now widely available on the fish farms throughout the

particularly good for the time of year. Fresh herrings at 89p per lb, kippers, 96p per lb, and macketel, fresh 62p, and smoked 99p, can all be recommended. Large quantities are slightly cheaper at around £1.72 per lb, as are haddock, £1.75. Whiting at £1.29, and plaice £1.90. Lemon sole is becoming more plentiful and is down by 5p to £2.35 per lb.

### Roads

London and South-east: A3005: Single alternate line traffic in Norwood Road, junction of Ferry Lan. A205: Single alternate line traffic between Kew Bridge and Chalkers Corner (A316). A31: Gas repairs at junction with Jackim Lane, West Street,

A425/A5, Crick); slip road junction 16 and 20. A14I: Temporary lights 24 hours a day on Warboys to Chatteris road, A446: Contraflow until March on Coleshill by-pass. Wales and West M5: One lane southbound between junc-tions 25 and 26; hard shoulder and inside lane closed. A39: Restrictions between Street and

A361 at Walton, Somerset. Road works at Holland Arms on Holyhead to Cerrigydrydion road; temporary lights at Be-thesda. North: M61: Left-hand lane

closure on both north and southbound carriageways, on Blacow Bridge, M61 link at Walton Summit.

tion work south of Gairloch.
A811: single lane traffic and
temporary signals E of
Gartoocham. A814: Single line traffic and temporary signals W of Dumbarton East station, Glasgow Road, Dumbarton. Information supplied by the AA

### Parliament today

Commons: (9.30) Children and Young Persons and Yoong Persons (Amendment)Bill, second read-ing and other Private bers' Bills.

**Snow Reports** Conditions Off Runs to Piste resort Runs to ALISTRIA 140 260 ischg! 140 260 good Fierce winds, upper lifts closed Kitzbuhel 70 180 fair heavy good lcy patches on lower slopes Solden/Hoch Obergurgi 50 140 good crust good cloud Snow good on all runs

Flaine 180 380 good powder good cloud
Top lifts limited due to winds
Les Arcs 138 238 good varied good cloud
ANDORRA
Soldeu 140 555 140 260 good heavy good cloud Soldeu 140 260 Good skiing everywhere FTALY Selva 50 80 fair Good skiing on most pistes SWITZERLAND Crans-Montgood snow

Good skiling on all slopes
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Gstaad 50 150 good good

Excellent conditions

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Skiling restricted due to high winds good St Moritz 70 70 good powder good snow New snow on good base Verbier 70 220 good varied fair cloud Good piste skiing

in the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art These donotes Wednesday's figures

### Weather

6 am to midnight London, SE, central S, central N England, Midlands: Rather cloudy, mainly dry but scattered showers of rain or sleet; wind NE fresh or strong;

max temp 4c (39f).
East Anglia, E, NE England:
Mostly cloudy, occasional on high ground; wind NE strong to gale; max temp 4c

cloudy, occasional rain or sleet, bright intervals, wind NE fresh or strong; max temp 4c (39f)
SW, NW England, Wales:
Mainly dry, rather cloudy at
times, bright or sunny intervals, wind NE fresh or strong. wais, wind NE fresh of strong.
max temp 6c (43f)
Lake District, Isle of Man,
SW, NE, NW Soutland, Glasgow, Argyll, Orkney, Shetland,
N. Ireland: Mainly dry, rather
cloudy at times, bright or
sump intervals, wind NE
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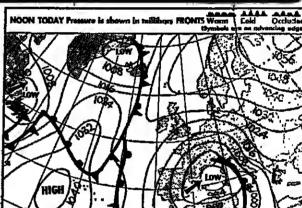
Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Rather cloudy, occasional showers of rain or sleet, snow on high ground, wind NE moderate or fresh, locally strong; max temp 5c

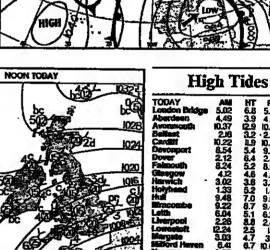


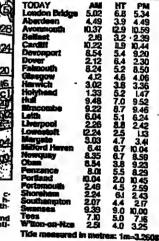
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Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzie; l, fair; tg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.